

# 100,000 Germans Killed in Three Weeks on One Front, Russia Says

## Grover Bergdoll To Be Released, Spokesman Says

### Draft Dodger Soon To Join His Family

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (AP)—Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, world famous draft dodger of World War One will be released from Fort Leavenworth, Kas. army disciplinary barracks in about a month, a war department spokesman said today.

The spokesman, who confirmed reports current in Philadelphia, did not fix a date for the release of Bergdoll, who has served approximately four years and ten months of a seven-year sentence for desertion and draft evasion.

At Downingtown, Pa., in the rolling farm country outside Philadelphia Mrs. Berta Bergdoll said "I'm glad he's on his way home at last." She and their six children, Alfred, 13, Emma, 13, Mina, 12, Erwin, 9, Vera, 7, and Berta, 5, have been living on a 260-acre farm purchased in 1940.

Mrs. Bergdoll said she expected her husband to join her at the farm and did not know exactly when. Asked if he would operate the farm she replied:

"You'll have to ask him that when he gets here. I cannot speak for him."

Bergdoll's aged mother, residing at an adjoining farm, could not be reached for comment. A woman at the farm said Mrs. Bergdoll's home, who identified herself as Bergdoll's sister-in-law, said she knew nothing of the war department report, and declined to comment.

**Way Cleared by Court**  
The way for Bergdoll's eventual release was cleared in October, 1941, when the United States district court at Philadelphia nolle prossed all criminal indictments pending against him. Some of the indictments had been on file more than twenty years.

An army court martial in 1919 sentenced Bergdoll to five years in prison in 1919, but en route to receive a "post of gold" he said he fled hidden in the mountains of Western Maryland he escaped from guards and later fled to Germany.

There in 1926 he married the blonde daughter of a German city official. He remained in Germany until 1939 when, on the eve of another world war, he returned to the United States and surrendered. The youngest Bergdoll child was born in the United States.

Mrs. Grover Bergdoll received her first citizenship papers in 1941.

## Rep. William Wheat Dies in Washington

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (AP)—Representative William H. Wheat, 64, of Rantoul, Ill., died today at Georgetown hospital. He suffered a heart attack Thursday morning as he was preparing to leave for his office at the capitol.

Wheat, a Republican, was serving his third consecutive term in the House and was a member of the Naval Affairs committee.

Funeral services will be at Rantoul at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday in the Methodist church.

**Want To Take Tokyo:**  
**Commanders in the Pacific Area Opposed to Negotiated Peace**

By ELTON C. FAY  
Associated Press War Analyst  
The fear of a negotiated peace with Japan seems to haunt American commanders in the Pacific area, a gnawing worry is evidenced in all their public conversations.

Admiral William F. Halsey, the veteran sea warrior, is back for a reprieve from fighting the Japanese. "The Japanese, he says, 'want to wear us down until we get tired of it—' which God knows I hope never happens. I don't want to be trapped until we get Tokyo.'"

**Gen. Edson's Views**  
Marine Brigadier General Meritt A. Edson, with cold blue eyes and face burned red by Pacific jungle sun, is back, insisting that the Japanese must be defeated to the point where he can never "start this business again."

The same apprehension tingles the

## JEEP-ERS CREEPERS



OUR DOUGHBOYS IN ITALY have become well-acquainted with "General Mud" and find him a pretty tough foe. Wearing hip boots, these Yanks push, pull, and heave hard trying to extricate this jeep after it became mired in a muddy Italian field.

## Civilian Output After War To Be Slow, Nelson Says

### WPB Chairman Takes Up Reconversion

By JACK GROVER  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (AP)—Chairman Donald M. Nelson of the War Production Board is beginning to make it clear that he is bossing war industry reconversion to civilian production, and that resumption of normal manufacturing will be slower than anticipated.

Nelson's emergence was signaled in a series of directives he issued last week which blocked all plans for immediate, widespread resumption of civilian goods output.

**Program Partly Outlined**  
Three Nelson orders, taken together, constitute a partial outline of his eventual reconversion program while turning aside pressure for extensive reconversion now. The trio also left no doubt that Nelson is going ahead to put his program in operation even though the White House has given no overt sign that the reconversion job is his.

An order continuing the ban on construction, another declaration against relaxing steel restrictions for non-essential civilian products, and a third forbidding the channeling of permitted civilian manufacturing to labor shortage areas together constituted Nelson's developing pattern.

It was also announced by a WPB spokesman that reconversion would be discussed at a conference of fifteen leading industrialists Nelson called for January 17.

**Three Main Obstacles**  
The Nelson orders brought out that three factors stand in the way of immediate return to civilian production, even though raw material.

**Agreed To Beat Japan**  
Moreover at the Cairo conference (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1)

## Americans Take Mt. Trocchio in

### Cassino Advance

By EDWARD KENNEDY  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ALGERIA, Jan. 16 (AP)—American troops in slashing frontal attack captured Mt. Trocchio, last mountain fortress blocking the way to Cassino, today, and now overlook that bastion only two airline miles away, a special headquarters communique announced tonight.

United States infantrymen of the Fifth army speedily consolidated positions atop the formidable mountain south of the town after storming it in a two-sided assault launched at 6:30 a. m. Saturday.

Beyond Cassino the rugged mountains open into a wide valley leading toward Rome.

French troops swinging in upon Cassino from the northeast at the same time have seized two more villages and additional heights pounding within five miles of the powerfully-fortified German stronghold.

**Attacking on a wide arc after a**  
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## 3,500,000 4-F's May Be Cilled

### Face Possibility Of Labor Draft

By JACK BELL  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (AP)—The nation's 3,500,000 4-F's—men physically unfit for military service—may be the first to feel the weight of a government labor draft if Congress enacts national service legislation.

Hearings on the compulsory manpower control issue will get underway before the senate military committee Tuesday with an expected endorsement of the Austin-Wadsworth bill by Secretary of War Stimson and subsequent testimony by Lt. Col. Francis V. Keessling, Jr. of selective service.

**New Classification Possible**  
Indications are that selective service will propose specific classifications under which single men rejected for army service would be subject to first call in the transfer of individuals from one job to another.

As the bill now is drafted, it would be administered by selective service under a director of national service. Men from 18 through 64 years old and women from 18 through 49, except mothers of children under 18, expectant mothers, those in the armed services and state officials, would be subject to its terms.

The bill makes no mention of the order in which the labor draft would be applied, but selective service is prepared to suggest that

## Gen. Eisenhower In England for Coming Invasion

### General Recent Visitor to U. S.

By RUSSELL LANDSTROM  
LONDON, Jan. 16 (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, former commander of the triumphant Allied forces in North Africa and the Mediterranean, has arrived in Britain to direct the Allies' greatest effort of all—the western attack on Hitler's bristling European fortress.

The brief announcement of his arrival was made by the "supreme headquarters of the Allied expeditionary force," newest and most ramified of United Nations strategy centers.

**Arrives in England**  
"It now can be announced that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower has assumed the duties in the United Kingdom assigned him by the combined chiefs of staff.

"On his journey from the Mediterranean to the United Kingdom he had conferences with the president and the prime minister.

The United States War department disclosed immediately that en route from the Mediterranean to Britain Gen. Eisenhower had spent "a few days" in Washington where he conferred with President Roosevelt and Gen. George C. Marshall, chief of staff.

Although obviously no inkling of the details of Eisenhower's discussions could be disclosed, those first sessions probably determined most of the questions that could be decided before the fateful hour when the armies come to grips across the channel.

**Western Front Talk Grows**  
Announcement of the Churchill-DeGaulle meeting prompted additional speculation in London concerning the time and place of the opening of the western front as well as the scope of French participation in the invasion and how effectively French resistance after the landings can be co-ordinated with military advances from the beaches.

It seemed certain that DeGaulle would desire that the French army be represented as strongly as possible in any assault upon the Germans in France.

A new volume of invasion talk both here and on the continent coincided with the announcement of Eisenhower's arrival.

British war workers adopted a new slogan, "Berlin this year." Its author is Sir Stafford Cripps, minister of aircraft production.

From Berlin neutral correspondents reported that Nazi military commentators were theorizing that Marshal Josp Broz (Tito), the Yugoslav partisan leader, was using his strong forces to keep a path clear for an Allied thrust from the Adriatic into central Bosnia.

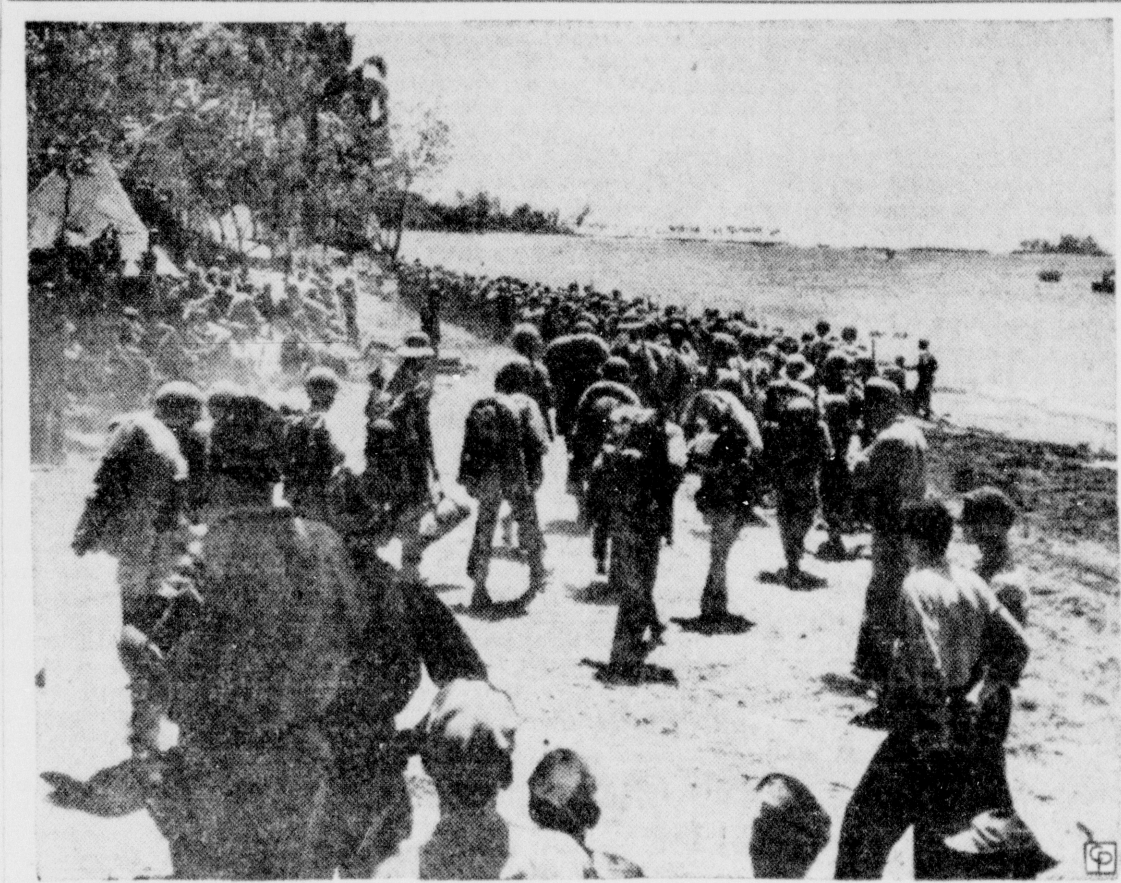
**Get Optimistic Views**  
The word of the arrival of the Western invasion chief coincided further heartening news from the Eastern front, where from the Baltic to the Crimea the grappling for decisive advantage grew more intense by the hour.

How closely the American and British operations from the west would tie in with the Russian drive perhaps even Eisenhower could not say now, for future events must largely guide his course.

Eisenhower said farewell to his Mediterranean troops Jan. 2 . . . "Until we meet again in the heart of the enemy's continental stronghold" after predicting Allied victory over Germany in 1944.

Now he starts his great task of shaping the vast army assembling

## MARINES BID FAREWELL TO BOUGAINVILLE



THEIR JOB WELL DONE, UNITED STATES marines who hacked out the first beachhead on Bougainville prepare to leave the island after United States Army troops moved in to relieve them. In distant background a thin line of palm trees marks Cape Torokina where the leathernecks landed two months ago.

## Robert Fromm Red Hot Pilot Of U. S. Fleet

### Ex-Undertaker Surprises Pals

By KENNETH L. DIXON  
WITH THE AEF IN ITALY, Jan. 12 (Delayed) (AP)—When you're calling the roll of hot pilots, those legendary lads who can hook an electric fan on an ironing board and fly it to Frisco, don't forget Robert Fromm, the redheaded ex-undertaker of Winfield, Kansas.

The rest of the "Red Devil" squadron saw the twenty-eight-year-old lieutenant's A36 Invader strafe the tank north of Rome yesterday and then sweep on in at thirty feet and 300 miles an hour to sling slugs from his six guns into a truck on the road.

**Crashes Into Trees**  
They saw the truck, loaded with ammunition, go up in a flashing sheet of flame which engulfed Red's plane as it crashed out of control into a clump of trees.

And so they returned from the mission, which called for "on the deck" strafing of targets of opportunity, and were just reporting that Red had spun in, when a strange rattle and rumble came from the north. They stared in amazement, and cheered.

His wings badly crumpled, his canopy gone, his engine steaming and whistling, his fuselage dented and torn, with clumps of tree branches five inches thick still draping his ship, Red Fromm was flying his home.

**Lands on One Wheel**  
As if the fire, the forest and the five miles of flak he'd just gone through weren't enough, he was forced to land on one wheel, without knowing he didn't have two.

But he made it and then his face grim and serious, picked up the story from where his pals had seen him plow through the smoke into the tree.

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## Party Leaders Favor Changes In Tax Measures

### Ask Overhauling Of Present Laws

By FRANCIS M. LEMAY  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (AP)—The administration and Congress, old-time quarrelers over the size and methods of revenue legislation, found one area of agreement today, jointly calling for a general overhauling of tax laws, to make them really simple.

Republicans and Democrats alike responded to the public clamor against the intricacy of the income tax returns that must be filed on or before March 15 by about 50,000,000 persons.

Rep. Robertson (D-Va.), member of the tax-drafting House ways and means committee, proposed today a definite program for simplification, which he said would collect currently the total tax of approximately 30,000,000 persons and relieve that number of having to file any returns at all after this year.

The Virginian's program would:

1. Merge the victory tax, the normal tax and the surtax into one minimum rate to be collected fully at the source from wages and salaries through the

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## Wickard Offers Postwar Program

### Greater Expansion Needed, He Asserts

By OVID A. MARTIN  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (AP)—Postwar expansion of food production even beyond the current peak was put forth by Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard today as a major peacetime goal for American farmers.

Stating that citizens are beginning to ask questions about the future, the cabinet member said it was time for "all of us to clarify our thinking, agree upon what we want, and set about doing the job."

**Offers Own Program**  
His program, drafted with the aid of department inter-bureau and regional committees, was offered, he said, as a basis for discussion concerning the national agricultural policy after the war.

The proposed agenda, announced in a pamphlet prepared for public distribution, calls for:

1. A nutritionally adequate diet and ample fiber supplies for all requiring "substantially" more food than the nation has ever produced before.
2. Parity income for farmers based on a new and improved parity formula for farm prices.
3. More equitable public services and facilities—such as schools, hospitals, roads, electricity, medical services, sanitation facilities, recreation.

**Walker To Resign**  
The committee is expected to receive Walker's resignation as chairman and probably name Robert E. Hannegan, 40 year old St. Louis attorney.

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## Americans Win Hill 600 from Determined Japs

### Fighting As Hard As on Guadalcanal

By ROBERT EUNSON  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA, Monday, Jan. 17 (AP)—Capture of Hill 660 from the Japanese at Cape Gloucester, New Britain, the taking of Sio on Huon peninsula, New Guinea, and an air raid that smashed enemy planes and ships at Rabaul, New Britain, were listed in Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communique today.

American marines captured Hill 660 after a long and bitter struggle against scores of machinegun nests which dotted the height.

The victory gave the leathernecks domination of Borgen bay, east of the cape, on the northwestern coast of New Britain.

**Divebombers Attack**  
United States navy Dauntless divebombers and avenger torpedo bombers from the Solomons left a small Japanese cruiser, a destroyer, and seven cargo vessels burning in Simpson harbor at Rabaul, the enemy base on the northeastern coast of New Britain, in a raid about noon Friday.

Heavy Liberator bombers Mitchell medians also from the Southwest Pacific command bases in the Solomons, and their escort planes struck at the Vanakana, Lakunai and Rapopo airdromes in the Rabaul area.

**Bag Twenty-nine Jap Planes**  
The Japanese sent up from sixty to seventy intercepting planes and lost twenty-nine in the combat which cost the Americans two bombers and eight fighter planes. Four of the American pilots were saved.

A headquarters spokesman said sixteen more enemy planes probably were destroyed.

(Tokyo radio broadcast an Imperial headquarters communique which said that Japanese naval

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**Another Secret Weapon:**  
**Germany Ready To Test New Bomb Supposed To Have 70-Mile Range**

By JOHN COLBURN  
STOCKHOLM, Jan. 16 (AP)—The Swedish press reported today that the Germans may put a new "liquid air" bomb to practical test on the east front preliminary to using it against Great Britain.

This secret rocket bomb, somewhat different from the type of rocket which has been the basis of much recent German home front propaganda, is reported about ready for warfront trials. The Swedish newspaper Stockholms Tidningen said neutral military experts have received information that the bomb is propelled to fantastic altitudes by rocket power and then glides to its target, spreading destruction for a radius of more than 400 yards.

**Makes 70 Miles An Hour**  
This bomb can travel seventy miles and is released from a trans-

## New Offensive Gets under Way On North Line

### Valutin Making Important Gains

By JAMES M. LONG  
LONDON, Monday, Jan. 17 (AP)—Gen. Nikolai F. Vatutin's first Ukraine army alone has killed 100,000 Germans in three weeks in a sweep carrying the Russians fifty-five miles inside Old Poland, while to the north a powerful new Soviet offensive has cut the Novosokolniki-Dno railway below Lake Ilmen, Moscow disclosed last night.

A special broadcast-bulletin announcing the terrific German casualties—nearly 5,000 daily—on just one of five major fronts in the east also said Vatutin's men had destroyed 2,204 German tanks and 1,174 guns, and captured 7,000 Germans in the same period between Dec. 24 and Jan. 13. In addition massive quantities of equipment were seized, said the bulletin recorded by the Soviet Monitor.

**Drive Deep Wedge**  
The daily communique announcing the new Russian strike north of Novosokolniki said Russian forces had driven a wedge nine miles wide and five miles deep into the German lines in three days.

Moscow also disclosed that Soviet troops now were less than nineteen miles from Rovno, a big rail and highway junction in Poland, were fifty-five miles inside the former frontier of that country in a drive toward Kovel from Sarny, and were about forty-seven miles from the old border in a parallel drive through the swamps of lower White Russia toward Pinsk.

Heavy German counterattacks also were declared beaten off in the southwestern Ukraine near Vinnytsa and Uman.

**Berlin Admits Reverse**  
Stockholm dispatches quoted a Berlin military spokesman as saying that some Russian units already had crossed the Bug river near Vinnytsa, only twenty miles from the vital Warsaw-Odessa trunk line serving Germany's huge Dnieper bend forces.

Moscow said the Germans threw hundreds of tanks and thousands of infantrymen against the Red army in the Vinnytsa and Uman sectors, but were repulsed. The Germans were declared to have lost 136 tanks yesterday and more than 2,000 men in their desperate efforts to halt the Russian surge toward Rumania.

In the new northern offensive Mankovo, a strongpoint twenty-

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## Negro Leader Opposes Labor Conscription

CHICAGO, Jan. 16 (AP)—Edward G. Brown, director of the national negro council, asserted today that President Roosevelt's proposal for national labor conscription "can mean nothing but abject slavery again for all the negro people."

"It is imperative for every single negro worker and service man and woman to take pains to register and vote solidly to influence the election of a Republican president this year and a Republican Congress to defeat now and for all time the demand of President Roosevelt for a national conscription law," he said.

Brown addressed a meeting of negroes, held under auspices of the council, which subsequently adopted a resolution calling on Congress to block any such legislation.

The council claims to represent 5,500,000 negroes.

**Three Chambers In Bomb**  
The rocket bomb is composed of

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## Service Groups Ask Legislation

### Bonus Bill May Be Introduced

By WILLIAM F. ABROGAST

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (AP)—Service men and women take top billings on Capitol hill this week with mustering-out pay and soldiers' vote legislation drawing special Congressional attention in this election year.

First on the House business calendar is the mustering-out bill which possibly might be turned into a bonus measure.

#### Debate Opens Today

Debate on the bill was scheduled to open tomorrow and end Tuesday, and there were indications the house military committee, which wrote the measure as an amendment to a Senate-passed bill, would have difficulty holding down the maximum payment to \$300.

A bi-partisan drive developed over the week-end to boost the top payment upon discharge to \$700, which exceeds by \$200 the amount voted by the Senate just before Christmas and is \$200 above American Legion demands.

A Democratic-Republican group advocates a sliding scale from \$100 to \$700, the amount to be determined by length and character of service.

#### Amendment Popular

Chairman May (D-Ky) said he saw little chance of blocking amendments to the military affairs committee bill, which would pay \$100 to men and women with less than sixty days service and \$300 to those with more than sixty days, officers above the rank of captain being excluded.

Another House group was ready to fight for a program to guarantee payments averaging \$85 monthly for not more than twelve months after discharge, the amount of each monthly payment being contingent on the earnings of the individual after his return to civilian life.

Leaders of some veterans' groups, including the Veterans of Foreign Wars, expressed fear congress might make the discharge payments so high as to jeopardize other compensation claims of returning veterans.

#### Voting To Be Considered

An even livelier controversy is expected over soldier-vote legislation, booked to follow the discharge pay bill to the house floor. The fight on this issue is whether the individual states or the federal government shall supervise the voting of an estimated 10,000,000 service men and women.

The Senate has passed a bill leaving the matter up to the states. The House Elections committee, after a sharp fight, reported out a similar measure. Opponents claim millions of soldiers would not get a chance to vote this year under state procedure because many states cannot or will not set up the machinery to expedite such balloting between now and November.

The army and navy had informed congress the job of distributing ballots for forty-eight states under state election control would be almost impossible. Some other legislators contend the most practical method of getting ballots to soldiers in time to be marked, returned and counted is to let the federal government handle the job.

Rep. Rankin (D-Miss) predicted a "speedy and complete" victory by supporters of the amended Senate bill which would leave the election machinery up to the states.

## 3,500,000 4-F's

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definite classifications be written into the legislation. These probably would make single 4-F's under 30 liable first, dip next into the same class in the age limits up to 40 and call on family men and women last.

#### Favor Austin's Bill

Simon's projected endorsement was accepted in congressional circles as indicating that the administration has chosen the pending bill, offered by Senator Austin (R-Vt.) and Representative Wadsworth (D-NY), as the vehicle to carry out President Roosevelt's recommendation for enactment of national service legislation.

Austin told a reporter he was not discouraged by the strong opposition which apparently has developed in Congress against passage of compulsory manpower legislation at this time. A similar outcry, he said, was raised against the selective service act when it first was proposed.

The Vermont senator dismissed as "a paper cut" the recent announcement of the War Manpower Commission that 600,000 fewer workers would be needed in war industries than previously had been estimated.

However, Senator Nye (R-ND) said he thought the need for the legislation had passed because "we are over the manpower hump."

Without commenting directly on the measure, Frances Perkins, secretary of labor, told a press conference yesterday that she believed war time employment has reached its peak. The coming months, she said may bring a decline in the total number of workers in the manufacturing industry.

## Gen. Eisenhower

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here—thousands upon thousands of them men from all states of the union, of all branches of service, veterans and those who never have been under fire—for the ordeal ahead.

## Franklin P. Bell

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Trainmen, Queen City Lodge No. 136, Knights of Pythias, and of Central Methodist church.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth (Kelly) Bartlett; a brother, William M. Charleston, W. Va.; two daughters, Mrs. Theodore Shaffer, Washington, and Mrs. Thomas Hubbs, Lima, Ohio, and four grandchildren.

The body will remain at the Kight funeral home where services will be conducted Tuesday by the Rev. Lee H. Richcreek, pastor of Central Methodist church. Interment will be in Rose Hill cemetery. The family requests that flowers be omitted.

#### ELIZABETH L. SMITH

Miss Elizabeth Leonora Smith, 85, died Saturday evening at 11 o'clock in Allegheny hospital where she was admitted December 17.

A native of Pittsburgh, she was a daughter of the late Henry and Leonora Smith.

The body is at the home of her niece, Mrs. William F. Senkbell, 541 Central avenue.

#### F. L. SHEAKLEY RITES

Funeral services for Frederick Leroy Sheakley, 39, former Cumberland division accountant for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, who died of a heart attack in Wheeling, W. Va., Wednesday, were conducted Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Hafer funeral home.

The Rev. Hixon T. Bowersox, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, officiated. Interment was in Hillcrest cemetery.

Both active and honorary pallbearers were division accountants of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad system. Active pallbearers were B. F. Levy, W. C. Barnes, E. S. Rupp, W. S. Hopkins, C. N. Mays and H. H. Summers.

Honorary pallbearers were W. R. Pitt, C. E. Carr, W. E. Smith, J. H. Tuckell, H. H. Strome, E. E. Francis, W. I. Finch, J. J. Jennings and E. J. Soehner.

#### CHARLES A. TAYLOR RITES

Services for Charles A. Taylor, 62, Bedford road, Cumberland Evening Times composing room foreman, who died Thursday, were conducted Saturday at 3 p. m. at the home by the Rev. Dr. Hixon T. Bowersox, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

Interment was in Greenwood cemetery. Pallbearers, all times employees, were Joseph K. Mooney, Joseph A. Mackert, John H. McCullough, Chandler F. Smith, James A. Close and W. Vincent Martin.

#### ROBERT STEVENS RITES

Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home, 326 Cecelia street, for Robert Leroy Stevens, 4, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Stevens, who died Thursday. The Rev. J. L. Stewart, pastor of the Assembly of God church, officiated.

Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery. Pallbearers were Donald Easton, Richard Davis, Donald Davis and Robert Young.

#### WILLIAM B. WAYS RITES

Funeral services for William B. Ways, 72, who died Wednesday in Philadelphia, were conducted Saturday morning at 9 o'clock in St. Patrick's Catholic church. The Rev. Thomas A. Hardesty, assistant pastor, was celebrant of the Requiem High Mass. Interment was in SS. Peter and Paul cemetery.

Pallbearers were H. C. Ways, W. D. Ways, C. A. Ways, H. C. Ways, Jr., James Boyle and Frank L. Werner.

#### MRS. NELLIE COMPTON RITES

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon in Great Cacapon, W. Va., for Mrs. Nellie Compton, 52, sister of Jeremiah C. Spring, this city, who died Thursday in Washington.

She is also survived by her husband, Newton Compton; three sons, Hamil, Ernest and Eldridge, all of Washington; three daughters, Miss Catherine Compton, England; Mrs. Dwight Chase and Odessa Poling, both of Washington; two other brothers, Edgar and Adam C. Spring, both of Cacapon, and a sister, Mrs. Susie Clark, Hancock.

#### WILLIAM G. BLOUGH RITES

Funeral services for William G. Blough, 50, who died Thursday in Memorial hospital were conducted yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Wolford funeral home by the Rev. George E. Baughman, pastor of the First Methodist church. Interment was in Hillcrest cemetery.

Pallbearers were David Laughter, Harvey Funk, James Stutcher, Thomas J. Barnes, Howard McGray and Earl Sill.

#### MRS. VERNIE K. HEBER

Mrs. Vernie K. Heber, 68, wife of Edward M. Heber, 501 Boyd avenue, died last evening at 8:45 o'clock in Memorial hospital where she was admitted Wednesday.

She was a daughter of the late John E. and Anna Nicely Le-Dane of West Virginia.

#### MRS. EMMA J. HEIER

Mrs. Emma J. Heier, 52, sister of Magistrate C. A. Jewell, Ridgeley, and brother-in-law of Edward Crabtree, local mail carrier, died yesterday afternoon at 5:45 o'clock at her home, 23 Thirty-third street, N. E., Washington, D. C., of pneumonia.

A native of Springfield, W. Va., she was a daughter of the late John P. and Sarah L. Jewell, and lived in this city from 1907 to 1927.

Also surviving are her husband, John A. Heier, and one son, Thomas, both of Washington.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday in Washington.

#### MRS. WILLIAM STEELE RITES

Funeral services will be conducted today at the home of Sheriff David W. Steele, 57 Prospect square, for Mrs. Agnes Thompson Steele, 81, widow of Thomas Steele, who died Saturday morning.

Members of Martha Washington Chapter No. 10, Order of the Eastern Star, conducted services at the home last evening at 8 o'clock.

## Flames Damage Grocery Store

### South End and Central Companies Answer Call to 200 Oak Street

Considerable damage was caused yesterday morning by a two-alarm fire that originated in the basement of the grocery store of Nick Scarpell, 200 Oak street, and spread to a back room of the store.

South End firemen were called to the store after an alarm from Box 623 at 9:38 o'clock. Two minutes later Central Fire Company was called to aid in the more than an hour fight to extinguish the blaze.

The owner of the store was outside shoveling snow from the sidewalk when the fire was discovered. When the South End firemen arrived the whole cellar was blazing and the flames had eaten their way through a partition into a back storeroom.

Two lines were required to put out the fire. Although there was no water or fire damage in the store itself, some of the stock may have been damaged by smoke, firemen said. Firemen were not able to leave the store until 11:30 o'clock.

Fire of undetermined origin slightly damaged the interior and some of the stock stored in the truck of H. A. Fall, American Tea Company agent, yesterday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock.

West Side firemen, who were called to a garage in the rear of 526 Patterson avenue, reported that the flames were extinguished with chemicals. Although the interior of the vehicle was slightly damaged, most of the loss resulted from stock that was stored in the truck for delivery today, firemen said.

## Two Persons Injured As Automobiles Collided

Two persons were treated in Miners hospital, Frostburg, Saturday evening as the result of a head-on collision at Eckhart, state police reported last evening.

Arthur J. Scarpell, 30, Eckhart, suffered a severe knee laceration when the car he was driving collided with a car driven by Leroy B. Shearer, 30, Midland. Miss Caroline Lancaster, 23, Eckhart, riding with Shearer, was treated in Miners' hospital for lacerations of the head.

Trooper G. M. Rotruck, who investigated, charged Shearer with failing to drive on the right side of the road.

No injuries resulted when an automobile driven by Bert Caldera, 37, Mt. Savage, skidded against a car driven by Thomas Lincoln Smith, 29, LaVale, yesterday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock on Route 40 in LaVale.

Trooper Ira R. Unger, who investigated, was told that Caldera's car skidded against Smith's automobile after Caldera applied the brakes.

## Commanders in

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ence, President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek agreed to beat Japan into unconditional surrender.

But in Washington there are those who are concerned with both the trend of public thinking and the course of military operations who say there is substance for the fear. The idea of these people is something like this:

The critical time will come when hostilities cease in Europe, when the spectre of an America ruled by a hysterical little man with a cowl and a dirty trenchcoat is gone, when a "we won" sentiment sweeps down in a shower of ticker-tape and a burst of bunting.

#### Invasion Considered

The sentiment may have a secondary and more sinister undertone. If an invasion of Europe is necessary to beat the Nazis (and those who should know seem to be making all preparations for it) there will be heavy casualties to the invaders. They may be heavier than the 130,000 dead, wounded, missing and prisoners that have been tallied in the United States armed forces so far.

For those who forget that the children of these casualties may have to fight the Japanese two decades hence there will be temptation to ask for no more war.

A reaction to continued prosecution of the war even may be fostered (although certainly unintentionally) by an act of government. President Roosevelt has said that if hostilities end on one major front before they are concluded on another large-scale demobilization adjustments will be possible and necessary. It is to be assumed that the demobilization would include war industry as well as troops. That will mean that the boy down the street will come home, but the one up the street will continue in the army; that a war plant job will continue for one man but not for the other.

The generals and admirals think it will be at this time of transition that a refurbished Kurusu and Nomura will appear with their blandest smile to ask "why can't we negotiate this?" And the answer of the admirals and the generals is, "because we don't want to fight this war all over again in 1964."

## Weather in Nearby States

WEST VIRGINIA — Fair with rising temperature.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA — Partly cloudy with rising temperature.

## Americans Win

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planes shot down forty-seven, and possibly eighteen more, out of around 180 Allied bombers which attacked Rabaul Friday. The Japanese said they lost three planes.

The Allied communiques' accounting of enemy planes downed made a total of 124 Japanese aircraft shot down in raids on the Rabaul base since Jan. 1.

The marines captured Hill 660 late Friday, ending a drive which had started soon after the devils dogs had gathered in the Cape Gloucester airfield. Occupation of the airfield was achieved Dec. 30, four days after the invasion beachhead was established.

The fight for the Hill, made in deluge of rain, was described by some of the marines as even more bitter than the battle for Guadalcanal. The veterans, many of whom had fought at Guadalcanal, found enemy positions on the steep hillsides well dug in and heavily armed.

Designated Hill 660 because of its elevation, the Hill commands a large part of the surrounding country and its possession for artillery emplacements will facilitate forcing the Japanese farther east and south of Borgen bay.

#### 3,000 Japs Killed

The measure of the enemy's effort to retain control of the height was seen in their battle casualties. Headquarters has reported counting more than 3,000 enemy dead, most of them in the Hill 660 fighting area, against around 400 American dead and wounded since the invasion.

Australian jungle-fighters drove into Sio, on the northeast coast of New Guinea, Saturday and then swept on past for three miles, narrowing the distance between them and the American invasion troops at Sador to the northwest. Nearly fifty miles separates the two forces, with Japanese in between reported evacuating the area to escape the scissors.

The speed of the Australian advance and lack of resistance encountered at Sio, lead to the speculation just where the Japanese plan to stand and fight, if they intend to put up any stiff opposition at all.

Japanese air activity, however, picked up somewhat with enemy fighters making strafing runs in the Sador area, and inland at Dumpu.

## Americans Take

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heavy artillery bombardment, the Americans plunged to the base of 1,475-foot Mt. Trocchio and then swarmed up the slopes bristling with pillboxes, concrete emplacements, gun pits, trenches, and dugouts.

They wiped out these positions and their embedded Nazi defenders in bitter fighting, and by nightfall Saturday had won the height, except for isolated pockets.

Throughout today they wiped out the German remnants and established themselves firmly on Mt. Trocchio.

The Germans had used Italian forced labor to build tough defenses. Clear and somewhat warmer weather aided the United States assault.

#### Cassino Key to Valley

Cassino is the key to the Liri valley, where the mountainous terrain that has made the advance of the last two months painfully slow opens to a wide stretch of flatter land extending to Rome some seventy miles beyond.

Through this lane runs one of the main highways to the Eternal city—the Via Cassina.

While capture of Mt. Trocchio gave the Allies the last high area in front of Cassino, there still is another mountain to be reckoned with that dominates the town on the other side.

French troops pushing on through difficult terrain occupied Cardito, three miles northwest of captured Acquafredda, and seized the village of Vallerotonda. They drove to within two miles of a town only three miles northeast of Cassino.

The French also won Mt. Croce, overlooking the road leading to Atina, highway junction nine miles north of Cassino. From Mt. Croce, 3,600 feet high, springs the Rapido river. It is one of the many mountains of the same name in Italy.

(The German Sunday communique declared "strong enemy attacks in the sector north of Cervaro were repelled in heavy fighting," and said a battle continues "for one place of enemy penetration.")

Vigorous patrolling continued on the Eighth army front to the east. British troops raided enemy outposts in the Orsogna area, taking prisoners and inflicting casualties in hard fighting.

## Robert Fromm

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"It plowed through a tree," he said. "The plane continued to fly, but I knew it couldn't stay up for long. I climbed to 400 feet and stood up to bail out, but I looked down and saw Germans, so I decided to stay with my ship for a while if it would stay with me."

The battered little fighter-bomber did stay with him, even though he could hardly navigate. His left rudder wouldn't work, and he was forced to barge in on an intense flak area at an altitude of 900 feet and a top speed of about 150 miles an hour. He couldn't take evasive action. Most of the controls wouldn't work. He should have been duck soup for the gunners.

#### Luck Holds Out

His luck still held on the landing. He felt it touch on one wheel but thought it merely meant one wing was high.

"So I lowered the left wing a bit."

Still I didn't touch my other wheel down. Then I knew."

The watchers who already knew blinked when the left wing tip finally hit the runway, but the field was slippery and it skidded along it instead of catching and flipping the plane over.

As the old pilots call it, it was a good landing. Fromm walked away from it. But the plane was towed away to the salvage pile, where Staff Sgt. William Ruhl, of Tekoa, Wash., measured the three segments still stuck in the wings and found them: five inches thick. The plane will never fly again except as repair parts for other invaders.

But Red Fromm is flying again today, in another plane on another mission.

## Wickard Offers

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tional and vocational training opportunities—for rural areas.

#### Better Marketing System

4. A more efficient farm product marketing system at a lower cost.

5. National policies which would encourage family-size farms.

6. Better land-tenure conditions and the diffusion of landed property among more owner-operators.

7. Reclamation and settlement of 40,000,000 acres of land through drainage, irrigation and clearing.

8. Greater employment of present part-time farmers now living on subsistence tracts near urban areas.

9. Greater conservation of soil and forestry resources.

10. Maintenance of a high level of industrial activity as "an indispensable means" of providing a market for abundant farm production.

11. A "freer" international trade policy involving a decrease in domestic production of agricultural commodities that cannot meet world competition without tariffs or subsidies.

## Western and

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torney, now commissioner of internal revenue, as his successor.

The committee also plans to select Chicago as the site for the national convention to be held around mid-July. Walker still favors a short presidential campaign but says if the Democrats are to cut expenses by sharing the same stadium physical set-up made for the Republican meeting, June 26, they will have to meet earlier than August or September as he had planned.

Each day the stadium is not used after the Republicans vacate it will cost the Democrats \$5,000.

## Six Die

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a food-by-foot search of the rugged countryside for the other two men.

Trooper headquarters at Elkins received a call around 9 p. m. from James Burley Carr, who reported that he had heard a plane and then a crash.

#### Elkins Sends Ambulances

Sgt. Rowe, accompanied by other troopers and a squad of soldiers, reached the area four hours later. They found the wreck on burnt flats of Rich Mountain, three miles from United States highway 33 which traverses the mountainous section of eastern West Virginia.

They were met near the scene by Ben Pennington, Snyder and Harry Harman, all from the village of Harman, who also had heard the crash.

Five ambulances were sent from Elkins and officers from maneuver headquarters took over arrangements for removal of the survivor and the bodies.

## Orr Will

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carriers were running as late as fifteen minutes.

#### Sun Melts Away Trouble

The Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company reported that the storm failed to disrupt service, thanks to Old Sol who made his appearance yesterday at noon and "melted the trouble away."

The snow failed to equal in depth the record fall of last January 29 when sixteen inches was recorded here in seventy-two hours. Last year's heavy snowfall was the deepest registered here since 1927.

## New Offensive

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three miles north of Novosokolniki, overpowered, Moscow said. Then the Red army troops swept on three miles to seize Nasva, a rail point below Mankovo. By seizing Nasva "our troops cut the Novosokolniki-Dno railway over which the Germans transferred their troops along the front line," said a midnight supplement.

#### 40 Localities Freed

A total of forty localities were declared taken in this new drive seventy miles east of the Latvian border in an area which is a main link in the enemy's effort to hold his siege lines near Leningrad, much farther north.

German propagandists reflected alarm over the new developments in the north, where any large-scale Russian success might cause Finland to drop out of the war. One report to the Nazi-controlled Scandinavian Telegram Bureau quoted a Berlin military spokesman as saying "we are convinced some of the bloodiest battles between great bodies of troops are about to be fought on the northern front."

In lower White Russia the Russians crossed the Ippa river to take the west bank town of Novoselski, seventeen miles north of Kalinkovich in the Pripiet marshes. This smash across a river that had not yet frozen resulted in the capture of several other localities.

German broadcasts indicated the entire 1200-mile front from Leningrad to the Black sea was ablaze. The Nazi high command announced Russian attacks northwest of Kirovograd in the Dnieper bend, at the Niopol bridgehead in the lower Dnieper, and northeast of Kerch in the Eastern Crimea. Moscow did not mention any of those sectors, but said a total of 6,400 Germans were killed in yesterday's fighting alone.

## Party Leaders

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medium of withholding by the employer.

2. Reduce the amount of that rate, and necessarily the amount to be withheld, by computing the minimum rate against a new taxable income to be arrived at by deducting from gross income those items of expenses incurred in earning the income, plus family status exemptions, and nothing more.

Demands for simplification all but overshadowed Senate debate on the second wartime tax law, expected to provide only one-fifth the \$10,500,000 additional revenue requested by the treasury.

The Senate met in an unusual Saturday session to speed passage of the House-approved tax bill but adjourned last night found it still to act on such thorny issues as proposed amendment of the renegotiation law which was set up to recover excess profits on war contracts, the question of whether to require labor unions to file financial returns, and proposed increases in taxes on admissions and cosmetics.

## Germany Ready

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three chambers. One is loaded with about 1,000 pounds of "liquid air," the second with between 500 and 700 pounds of explosive fluid which drives the rocket and the third with a quicksilver detonation fuse which is set off by a radioactive salt solution.

This is the first time such a bomb ever has been reported.

The Germans previously have been reported to have ready for use against Britain another type of rocket shell which is fired from a cannon believed to have been the target recently of Allied bombardments of the French coast.

#### Still Another Weapon

The Germans meantime have expressed the hope they could get their submarine offensive operating again before the Allied invasion.

The Scandinavian telegraph bureau quoted a German naval expert as saying that German scientists are working "feverishly" on a new weapon to counter the Allies' rocket location devices. Hitler recently admitted that one weapon—presumably a rocket location—had crippled his submarine warfare.

## J. W. Thompson Dies in Romney

### 92-year-old Retired Farmer Was Father of Former State's Attorney

ROMNEY, W. Va., Jan. 16—J. W. Thompson, 92, father of the late L. V. Thompson, former Hampshire county state's attorney, died Saturday afternoon at his home here.

A retired farmer and native of Hampshire county, Mr. Thompson was born July 23, 1851, and was widely known in this section. He was an active member of the Romney Methodist church.

Mrs. Thompson died January 7, 1939. She and Mr. Thompson had celebrated their sixty-seventh wedding anniversary on September 14, 1938. The former state's attorney died just a year prior to his father's death.



## Twenty Board 4 Selectees Pass Physical Tests

Number Represents 50 Per Cent of Those Who Took Examination

FROSTBURG, Jan. 16.—Twenty selectees from Draft Board 4, of a group of forty who took their final physical examination at the Baltimore Induction Station Thursday, January 13, were accepted for military service.

Those assigned to the army were: John Alvin Peterbrink, Mt. Savage; John William Yantz, R.F.D. 1, Frostburg; William Francis Simpson, R.F.D. 1, Frostburg; Donald Cecil Broadwater, Barton; Charles Joseph Miller, Lonaconing; John A. Carter, Mt. Savage; Archibald MacMillan, Frostburg; Basil James Pressman, R.F.D. 1, Frostburg; Eugene Thomas Bush, negro, Frostburg.

The following were assigned to the navy: Austin C. Kennell, Cumberland; Harry J. Lease, Pekin; James P. Donahue, Frostburg; George Wellings, Jr., 197 Welsh Hill, Frostburg; Bruce Edward Cave, Lake; James Bogie, Lonaconing; Francis Llewellyn, Midland; Harrison Ray Hanlin, Westport; John James Pattison, R.F.D. 1, Westport; and Raymond Patrick Kenney, Frostburg.

Harry Robert Keller, Frostburg, was accepted as an aviation cadet.

## Announce Marriage

Pvt. Anthony Rogano, stationed with the army in Washington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rogano, Monticello, and Miss Alice Lorraine McMahon, Portage, Wisconsin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul McMahon, were married Saturday, Jan. 14, at St. Michael's Catholic church, by the Rev. Dominic A. Bonomo, assistant pastor. They were attended by Pvt. Virgil Florio and Miss Rachel Rogano, sister of the bridegroom. The bride is employed in Washington.

Following the wedding a reception was held in St. Michael's Hall and was attended by twenty-five friends and relatives of the couple.

## Honored by Scouts

Richard Fram and Charles Stevens were guests of honor at a party held Friday evening at Beall elementary school by Frostburg Boy Scout troop, sponsored by the American Legion, the occasion being their advancement to Life Scouts.

Merit badges awarded to Fram were metal work, athletics, pioneer, safety, public health, camping, and gardening. Merit badges awarded to Stevens were reading, plumbing, swimming, pioneering, public health, personal health, and physical development. Douglas Duval, James McMorran, and Jack Starkey were advances to second class scouts.

The following awards were made to members of the Sea Scout unit, affiliated with troop 26, Herman Humbertson, Star Scout and merit badge in pathfinding, civics and athletics, James Chambers, Star Scout and merit badge in swimming, wood working, handicraft, pathfinding, first aid and personal health.

The troop is making plans to have its meeting place redecorated.

## Meeting Dates Given

Folk, fallacies and superstitions about foods will be exposed at the January "Health For Victory" meetings.

Old-time beliefs that still prevent many people from eating certain foods that are essential to good health will be explained.

The meetings will be as follows: Canteen Corps — Wednesday, January 19, 1:30 p. m.; shop and show — Wednesday, January 19, 7 p. m.; Consolidation Coal Company, Thursday, January 20, 7 p. m.; Potomac Edison Company, Monday, January 24, 7 p. m.

Beginning in February and continuing until July the "Health For Victory" Clubs will be given a course on "Building for Health."

## Surprise Party Given

Mrs. Jonas J. Durst was the guest of honor Friday evening at a surprise party held by a group of women from St. Paul's Lutheran church, the occasion being in observance of her seventy-third birthday.

Mrs. Durst is the former Miss Sally Layman, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John N. Layman, highly esteemed residents of this section.

Thirty-five women attended the birthday party. Mrs. Durst was presented with a number of gifts, including a corsage of orchids.

## Frostburg Briefs

The Frostburg Junior Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a class in public speaking, starting Monday, Jan. 23, at 8 p. m. in the Sunday school room at Salem Evangelical and Reformed church, with the Rev. George L. Weller, instructor. Meetings will be held every Monday night for six weeks. There will be no charge connected with the course and all persons interested may enroll Monday evening.

The Frostburg Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold a dinner meeting Wednesday, January 19, at 6:30 p. m., at the home of Mrs. C. F. Betz, Broadway. A business session will follow the dinner.

The Past Chapter's association of Caliente Temple, No. 3, Pythian Sisters, will meet Tuesday evening.

## NEW INSTRUCTOR



Dr. Dorothy G. Howard

FROSTBURG, Jan. 16.—Dr. Dorothy G. Howard will succeed Dr. George H. McClellan as instructor in English at the State Teachers College, Frostburg. Dr. Howard is a graduate of the North Texas State Teachers College at Denton, and she has completed her master of arts and doctorate of education at New York university, New York city.

Dr. Howard taught English in the high school at Nevada, Texas, and in the junior high school at Roswell, New Mexico, and was principal of the junior high school at Valhalla, New York. She resigned from the East Orange Public Schools at East Orange, New Jersey, to accept the position here. While at East Orange, Dr. Howard co-operated in training student teachers from the New Jersey State Teachers College at Newark.

Dr. Howard has had experience in summer camp work in addition to her teaching, having been director of a girls' camp in Westchester county, New York. She will report for work at the college at the beginning of the second semester, January 31. Her son and daughter, who are in high school, will accompany her to Frostburg.

## Youth Fellowship Meets at Kempton

KEMPTON, W. Va., Jan. 16.—The Kempton Youth Fellowship group met Thursday night for its regular monthly meeting, with Mrs. Martin Fox in charge of the music and Bible study. The honored guest of the evening was Mrs. Earl Cassidy. Following the study, refreshments were served. Mrs. Robert Martin was chosen as honor guest for the next meeting.

## Personal

Ed Teets was advised by telegram of the death of his daughter, Mrs. Beatrice Houston, New York city.

William Bennett is home from Memorial hospital, Cumberland, where he was treated for an eye injury suffered while at work in the mine.

Charles Reed is home from City hospital, Elkins, W. Va.

Miss Evelyn Knight, Sunnyside, Md., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Warsaw.

Mrs. Ethel J. Fox and daughter Luvina returned from Elkins, W. Va., where the latter received medical treatment.

William Laune U.S.M.C., Camp Lejeune, New River, N. C., is a guest of his sister, Mrs. Darrell Lantz.

Able Seaman Clifton Lantz and wife, who have been guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lantz, left for California, where he is being transferred and Mrs. Lantz to Cleveland, O., where she is employed.

Mrs. Helen Cassidy was called to Baltimore, due to the serious illness of her father, Paul Havran, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Shrader and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Teets are in New York, attending the funeral of a relative.

Guy Wilson, who has been ill with pneumonia, is able to be out.

Mrs. Emily Fox Moon has accepted a position as assistant technician at Myer's clinic, Philadelphia, W. Va. She will also teach part time at Alderson Broadus college.

Mrs. Moon has been employed as secretary in the Johnstown Coal Company office at Vindex, Md., and was a former Garrett county teacher.

Mrs. Albert Tasker was removed to City hospital, where she will undergo a surgical operation.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brace have received a letter from their son, Seaman Second Class Herbert Brace of the Seabees, advising them of his arrival in Hawaii. Also a letter from Pvt. Edward Ege, now a patient at the Army hospital, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., stating that he was an intimate friend of another son, Corp. Vernon Brace, while in Algeria and Sicily, where he received wounds.

7:30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Eva Bean, Water street.

Frostburg Personals

Mrs. Martha Robinson Folk received word that her husband, Pfc. Ralph E. Folk, has arrived safely overseas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Folk, Pine street.

Pvt. W. Don Dishong returned to Camp Edwards after spending a nine-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Dishong, Frost avenue.

Lieut. and Mrs. Harold R. Conrad, Norfolk, Va., are spending a ten-day furlough at the home of Mrs. Conrad's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Canbria Williams, 134 Bowery street.

Mrs. Harriet Payne, who had been ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jenkins, Grafton, returned to her home.

## Texan Writer To Give Lecture In Meyersdale

Donald Bolt Will Be Second Speaker on International Institute Series

Meyersdale, Pa., Jan. 16.—Donald Bolt, of Laredo, Tex., will be the speaker at the second in the series of four Institutes of International Understanding, sponsored by the Meyersdale Rotary Club, which will be held in the high school auditorium next Tuesday night. His subject will be "The Americas as Contributors to New World Order."

Bolt, traveler, journalist and commentator, served in the British Merchant Marine, and in the British and American forces during the first World War and because of a special interest and aptitude for understanding international events and their meaning for the United States has recently entered upon a career of free lance writing, commenting and lecturing on foreign affairs.

Born in Brazil, Ind., in 1897, he completed his education in the Indiana university and in Washington university, St. Louis. He had an unusual newspaper career, serving as reporter and columnist on a number of metropolitan newspapers throughout the United States. Among his assignments of note was covering the mine wars of West Virginia and Illinois and the renowned "evolution" trial in Dayton, Tenn.

## Nelson Bowman Dies

Nelson S. Bowman, 43, of nearby Glade City, died yesterday in Hazel McGilvery hospital here following an extended illness. A son of John W. and Anna Shultz Bowman, he was born in Summit township, May 27, 1900, and had been employed as a stonemason in a local memorial works for a number of years.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Mary Shumaker Bowman, his mother, who resides in Meyersdale, a son, Roger Bowman, at home, and three brothers and sisters, Robert L. William H. Oscar and Elmer, all of Meyersdale; Mrs. Gertrude Shumaker, Berlin; Mrs. William P. Shumaker, Meyersdale, and Miss Emma Bowman, at home.

Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at the Bowman home, with the Rev. DeWitt L. Miller, pastor of the local church of the Brethren, officiating. Interment will be in the Union cemetery.

## John Foreman Rites Held

Rites for John C. Foreman, 59, who died Friday night at the family home near Pocahontas, will be conducted tomorrow afternoon in the Hosteler church of the Brethren, in nearby Greenville township, the Rev. DeWitt L. Miller, Meyersdale, officiating. Interment will be in the Hosteler cemetery.

A son of Amos and Margaret Peathers Foreman, he was born in Preston county, W. Va., and resided for five years in Oakland, before removing to Greenville township five years ago.

He is survived by his widow, Ada Hosteler Foreman, and three children from a previous marriage: Mrs. Carol Bardo and Mrs. Harry Lewis, residents of West Virginia; Mrs. George Mazer, Deal; Mrs. Josephine Foreman, Oakland; Calvin Foreman, Berlin; James Foreman, Elkins, W. Va.; John C. Foreman, Jr., Baltimore; Mrs. Jean and Anna Foreman, at home. Two sisters, Mrs. Samuel Barkman and Mrs. Russell Beckman, Oakland, Md., a niece, Mrs. Harry McWilliams, resides in Meyersdale.

Marriage Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Thompson, Boynton, announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Ellen, to Karl W. Seccrest, son of Mrs. Myrtle Seccrest, Meyersdale.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. W. Wott, pastor of the First Methodist church, Frostburg, at 8 o'clock Saturday morning, January 8.

The bride was attired in a dress of powder blue crepe, with accessories to match, and wore a shoulder corsage of yellow roses. Her attendant was Mrs. Alice Noble, sister of the bridegroom. S. J. Noble was best man.

The couple will spend a brief honeymoon in Washington and on the Eastern Shore of Maryland before returning to Baltimore, where they will reside. The members of the bridal party were dinner guests at the Thompson home following the ceremony.

Personals

Cpl. Edward Bard, of New Cumberland, is here to spend a brief furlough with his mother, Mrs. Adelaide Bard, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe F. Reich.

Seaman Second Class Beachy Reich arrived home Thursday morning to spend a week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Reich. He has just completed his boot training at Great Lakes, Ill.

Emerson Snyder, accompanied by his father, left yesterday for Washington, D. C., where the former will have a checkup on his condition following a serious operation in one of the hospitals of that city several months ago.

Sgt. Perry W. Lindeman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Lindeman, Grant street, is now a technical sergeant at Bolling Field Air Base, Washington, D. C.

Sgt. Donald O. Hinebaugh, who spent a seventeen-day furlough with his wife and daughters here, left Thursday for Rice Field, Calif. He was accompanied as far as Pittsburgh by his wife.

Mrs. H. Clay Newman, Grafton,

## Nine-inch Snowfall On Icy Streets Adds To Travel Hazards

MT. SAVAGE, Jan. 16.—Approximately nine inches of snow fell here yesterday evening and last night. Local streets had been covered with ice for the past two weeks and the snowfall has added to the dangerousness of travel in the community. Main street is the only place where the snow has been cleared sufficiently to allow safe travel. The New Road section was taken over by groups of sled-riders today, while scores of skiers took advantage of snow on Steep Hill. Snow was shoveled from the frozen ponds at Beaumont and Fire Clay mountain for the benefit of the ice skating parties. No serious accidents due to the dangerous roads have been reported.

## Mrs. Burall Dies

Mrs. Mary C. Burall, 85, widow of the late George W. Burall, died Friday at the home of her son-in-law, Albert Ellis, Cresaptown, after a lingering illness. Mrs. Burall was one of the life residents of Mt. Savage, a church member of St. George's church and a charter member of the Rebecca Arnold chapter of the Eastern Star. For the past fifty years she has been a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Brotherhood. The body has been brought to the Burall home, Church Hill.

## Thomas M. Crowe Dies

Thomas M. Crowe, 71, of Mt. Savage, died this afternoon at the county home and infirmary in Cumberland. A retired boiler fireman for the Mt. Savage brickyard, he was a member of the Methodist church here.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Ethel Cheryn, Waukegan, Ill.; two sons, Lawrence, of Washington, D. C., and Howard, of Mt. Savage; a sister, Mrs. Alexander Witt, Mt. Savage, and one brother, Frank Crowe, of Zihlman.

## Fellowship To Meet

The Youth Fellowship organization of St. George's church will meet Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the parish house of the church.

## Personals

Seaman first class Thomas McDermitt, Jr., Beckley, W. Va., is visiting his aunt, Miss Veronica McDermitt, and Mrs. Patrick O'Rourke, and his uncle, Francis B. McDermitt. He recently arrived in this country after five months of foreign service.

Seaman first class John Stowell returned to Brooklyn, N. Y., yesterday after spending a twelve-day furlough visiting his mother, Mrs. Edward Stowell. His father is stationed overseas with the Seabees.

## PETERSBURG PERSONALS

PETERSBURG, W. Va., Jan. 16.—Seaman Clyde Iman, Bainbridge, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Iman, Lahmansville.

Miss Velma Sites, Falls Church, Va., is visiting friends here.

Seaman and Mrs. Paul Ekridge have returned from visiting at Winchester, Va.

Lt. Roy Kessel, who is stationed in the navy in New York, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kessel, Greenland.

Mrs. Hobart Turner, Broadway, Va., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ours, Cabins, and Mrs. C. Halterman, Petersburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Dyer Mongold announce the birth of a daughter yesterday.

John Bean Sears, who is stationed in the army at Camp Aterbury, Ind., is here visiting relatives.

Harold Idleman is ill at his home, Johnson Martin, Baltimore, is here visiting his family.

Mr. and Mrs. George Teter and son, Riverton, are here visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Rodgers.

John Groves will leave the first of the week for Cumberland where he will enter the Memorial hospital for an operation.

W. Va., spent the past several days at the W. E. Horning home.

P. P. Brown, business manager of the Meyersdale Republican, spent Friday afternoon with friends in Somerset.

Miss Ida C. Shumaker left last night for Canton, Ohio, to greet a sister missionary, Miss Edna Blikenstaff, recently returned from India, who has served for some time in the section of India where Miss Shumaker was stationed for thirty years.

Miss Blikenstaff will remain for some time in the states as the guest of relatives and friends.

Miss Mary O. Cook left Friday for a visit of several weeks with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hearnley Tout, at Greenwood, Ind.

Mrs. Nat Friedline has gone to Miami Fla., to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pollard, and will also meet her brother, who recently returned on furlough from overseas service.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo M. Carey have announced the engagement of their daughter, Florence Louise Carey, to Herman Ernest Hewitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hewitt, Akron, O. No date has yet been set for the wedding.

Mrs. Herbert Tubbs and her mother, Mrs. Fred Rowe, Cleveland, Ohio, arrived here yesterday to spend several days with the latter's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rowe, prior to leaving for Florida to spend the remainder of the winter and will join Mr. Tubbs, who has been there since November. Clarence Rowe will accompany them on their trip south.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Evans will leave for Florida Monday. They will be accompanied by W. H. Barger, editor of the Mineral Daily News. Mr. Evans who has operated a jewelry business in Keyser since 1909, has accepted a position with a jeweler there. He has closed out his business in Keyser. Mr. Barger will return to Keyser about the middle of February.

H. E. Rohe and daughter, Mrs. P. D. Peapell have returned from Buckhannon where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Ray Skinner. Mrs. Skinner was the mother-in-

## Miss Marie Stakem Will Become Bride Of Illinois Man

LONA CONING, Jan. 16.—Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Stakem, Main street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Marie E. Stakem, to Sgt. Robert C. Boudinat, Fort Monmouth, N. J., son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen R. Boudinat, of Moline, Ill.

Miss Stakem is an employee at the Pentagon Building in Washington, D. C. with the army air corps. She is a graduate of Central high school, Lonaconing, and attended Catherman's Business school, Cumberland.

Sgt. Boudinat studied fine arts at George Washington university and the Corcoran Art gallery in Washington. Before induction into the service he was employed as a commercial artist in Washington. The wedding will be solemnized in Washington in the near future.

## James J. Wagoner Rites

Funeral services for James Jones Wagoner, 40, Pekin, who was instantly killed in an automobile crash Friday evening on Route 51, four miles east of Paw Paw, will be conducted Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Florian Nickel, Frostburg. The Rev. Raymond Crowe, pastor of the Midland Methodist church, will officiate. Interment will be in Laurel Hill cemetery, Moscow.

A son of Mrs. Caroline Jones Wagoner and the late John H. Wagoner, Mr. Wagoner was an automobile mechanic.

Besides his mother, he is survived by one son, James, 13, and one daughter, Gerlie, 11; five sisters, Mrs. Ruth Spiker, Cumberland; Mrs. Florian Nickel; Mrs. Erson Haines, and Miss Eva Wagoner, all of Frostburg; and Mrs. Edward Baker, Finzel; four brothers, Howard, Thomas and Adam, all of Finzel, and William, in the armed service.

## Mrs. Ruth Owens Dies

Mrs. Ruth Kroll Owens, of Washington, D. C., daughter of the late John Kroll and Mrs. Mary D. Kroll, of Waterliffe street, died on Saturday.

Mrs. Owen is survived by her mother and three sisters, Mrs. Charles Nutwell, Baltimore; Miss Anna Kroll, of New York; and Miss Marilyn Kroll, Baltimore.

## Brief Mention

Pvt. Paul C. Nolan has returned to Camp Adair, Ore., after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Nolan. Mr. and Mrs. Nolan have received word that their son, Pvt. Francis L. Nolan, has been promoted to private first class. He is stationed somewhere on Greenland.

Pfc. Edward Nolan, another son, has been promoted to corporal. He visited his parents over the weekend from Fort George G. Meade.

Mrs. Edward Sheppard has gone to California to make her home with her husband. She spent the past several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Whitfield, Church street.

Mrs. David Lauder has received word that Pvt. D. Allan Lauder has arrived safely at an unknown destination in the Pacific area. He was formerly stationed at Camp Edwards, Mass.

Mrs. Jane Muir Hancy, Island street, in a recent letter from her husband, Elec. Mate First Class Ralph L. Hancy, learned that he is on a rest at some unknown destination. He has served fourteen months in the Southwest Pacific. Word has also been received by Mrs. Hancy that her brother, Major Hugh H. Muir, is now stationed somewhere in Italy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hadley, State street, have received word from their son, Sgt. William J. Hadley, that he has been transferred from South Dakota to Tampa, Fla.

Mrs. Agnes Donald Scinta is visiting her husband, Cadet Anthony H. Scinta, at Niagara, N. Y.

## ALLEN B. DUCKWORTH TO FACE FEDERAL JURY ON SERVICE CHARGE

KEYSER, W. Va., Jan. 16.—Allen B. Duckworth, 26, of Romney was arraigned before United States Commissioner George C. Ludwig yesterday on a charge of failing to report to his local draft board for transportation to a work camp.

Duckworth who claims to be a conscientious objector was arrested by Deputy Marshall J. Petre Repp.

Duckworth pleaded guilty to the charge and being unable to post the required bond was remanded to the Marion county jail to await the action of the federal grand jury which convenes in Fairmont on March 7.

## Brief Mention

Fitzhugh McDowell, Antioch, has been admitted to Potomac Valley hospital for observation. Others admitted to the hospital are Mrs. Liza Garfield Cue and Mrs. Elmer Jones and William Bill of Keyser.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Evans will leave for Florida Monday. They will be accompanied by W. H. Barger, editor of the Mineral Daily News. Mr. Evans who has operated a jewelry business in Keyser since 1909, has accepted a position with a jeweler there. He has closed out his business in Keyser. Mr. Barger will return to Keyser about the middle of February.

H. E. Rohe and daughter, Mrs. P. D. Peapell have returned from Buckhannon where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Ray Skinner. Mrs. Skinner was the mother-in-

## Methodist Church Leaders To Meet In Oakland

Delegates from Moorefield District Will Discuss Crusade

OAKLAND, Jan. 16.—Leaders of Methodist churches from half of the Moorefield district will meet at Oakland Tuesday morning at 10:30 in a session that will be the first local public effort to create interest in a churchwide Methodist campaign of great significance.

Under the name, "A Crusade for a New World Order," Methodists of the nation, according to the Rev. Minor Sprague, Methodist minister here, have entered upon an endeavor to crystallize the thinking of their people relative to the kind of postwar world they want, and to direct that thinking into action that will do "some good."

Under the leadership of the bishops there are to be 100 mass meetings in as many strategically located cities with prominent speakers, and discussion periods. Garrett county people will go to Pittsburgh on January 26, Washington on January 27, or to Charleston, W. Va., on January 28.

The Rev. Sprague said these leaders will then return to their communities and set up other mass meetings. "The Crusade," Rev. Sprague pointed out, "is a movement to mobilize sentiment for a just and enduring peace and a Christian world, and to make that sentiment influential at the place decision is made and before decision is made. Opposed to isolationism, the church is urging collaboration with other nations in insuring a righteous and lasting peace."

The Rev. Sprague is urging all Methodists to attend the meeting Tuesday morning at St. Paul's church here. Pastors of the vicinity are also anxious to have all organization heads and officials present.

## Bank Directors Elected

Directors of all four banks in the county have been elected at stockholders meetings held this week. Only minor changes were on the lists from last year.

Officers were re-elected at the First National bank, Oakland, while officers for the Garrett National in Oakland will be chosen at a meeting of the board soon. No changes are expected.

During the year the Garrett National bank lost its president, D. E. Offutt, by death, and the First State bank, Grantsville, lost its cashier, W. L. Thomas, by resignation. The First National, Oakland, has one less director, W. H. Smouse not being re-elected, while the Garrett did not add a director to take the place of D. E. Offutt. Officials elected are:

First National bank, Oakland: Directors, A. D. Naylor, E. R. Jones, James P. Treacy, Ronald E. McIntire, Delbert Davis, A. G. Gortner. Officers: Naylor, president; Jones, vice president; Davis, cashier, and Cecil Smith, assistant cashier.

Garrett National, Oakland: Directors: W. R. Offutt, Stuart F. Hamill, Lester C. Yutzy, Arthur Naylor, H. V. Leighton, H. C. Riggs. Officers: Offutt, president; Riggs, vice president and cashier; J. M. Jarboe, assistant cashier.

First State, Grantsville: Directors: Dr. N. R. Davis, Stewart Rodamer, F. W. Bender, C. E. Elliott, J. P. Englehart, J. A. Beachy, E. R. Jones, William Winterberg, O. S. Pike, D. H. Broadwater. Officers: Dr. Davis, president; Winterberg, vice president; Joseph F. Paff, cashier; Stewart Rodamer, assistant cashier.

First National, Friendsville: H. J. Black, D. S. Custer, Ernest N. Friend, R. E. Guard, W. J. Glenn. Officers: Black, president; Glenn, vice president; W. J. Glenn, cashier; W. J. Glenn, vice president; L. J. Warthen, cashier.

The board of directors includes: Sheridan Johnson, Charles Pattison, Harry Clark, Carroll Moorehead and William Smith, Sr.

Last year the company answered twelve alarms, five blackouts, four day alerts and twenty-eight practice drills.

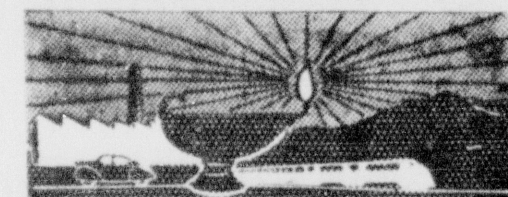
At the meeting preference rating was obtained for 1,000 feet of hose, two nozzles and Siamase connections for which the order has been placed.

## Announce Marriage



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### This Forgotten Man Should Be Heard

IT IS GOOD to see more attention being directed to the plight of the white collar worker. Henry H. Heimann, executive manager-on-leave of the National Association of Credit Men, takes up the cudgel in their behalf in his *Monthly Business Review* for January.

"Amid all the talk about increased national income, there is one group of people for whom 1944 does not look too encouraging," Heimann states in referring to the class which has been caught between a rapidly increasing cost of living and a static income. "This white collar employee seems in a helpless position; he is and has been the forgotten man. God must have loved him because He made him so patient and humble."

But even this patient man has endurance limitations, Heimann points out. "This white collar man," he declares, "deserves a decent standard of living and has every right to aspire to share in some of the luxuries of life. There is little wonder that his patience is becoming exhausted, and he no doubt will be more articulate in the year ahead. You can rest assured that this year his situation will be constantly called to attention by labor leadership. His group represents one of the nation's largest unorganized groups. It would seem judicious for business leadership to recognize his plight and do everything within its power to improve his situation. Voluntary action on the part of business leadership is preferable to forced action. There is not much time to waste."

The millions concerned will hope that their plight will come in for more attention; but they should, as Heimann suggests, see to it that they become more articulate in their own behalf.

### Japanese Frugality

JOHN PATRIC, who spent many months in Japan prior to the war to discover what makes that nation tick, has revealed his findings in a book entitled *Why Japan Was Strong*. A few passages on Japanese thrift are so completely at variance with the American way of living that they explain at least partly how the small nation of Japan has made itself a match for bigger and richer countries.

Describing a typical Japanese farm, Mr. Patric writes:

"At the center of the field stood a pole, six or eight feet high, on which there perched a tiny thatched house, built of tree prunings. From the house ran a spider web of strings, fastened to stakes at the extremities of this tiny grainfield. From each string hung streamers of wastepaper."

"A child sat in the tiny thatched house—a child of five, too young to do any real work, even in Japan. If a bird came, his job was to jerk a string near it, rattle the paper streamers, and frighten it away before it had time to rob the family of a single grain of precious food."

Mr. Patric tells of other Japanese children who work all day making wastepaper sacks and tying them around every embryo apple in an orchard to keep out insects. "Certainly," he says, "no child who has ever gone through such experiences will, as long as he lives, throw away a half-eaten apple or leave rice in a bowl."

Thrift goes a long way to explain Japan's power. Everything served at a meal in Japan is edible. There are no bones, no scraps of gristle left in a bowl. The bones and gristle have been kept in the kitchen to be boiled into soup or ground up. All fat is used. There is literally no waste in Japan.

And what applies to food applies to all other materials. Metal is almost unknown in the homes of Japan. Mr. Patric poked in the ruins of a burned paper house and found only enough metal to fill his two hands. Japanese metals are used for manufacturing plants and war machinery.

Everyone in the United States has known that the Japanese are a frugal people. But these little stories of Japanese home life seem to prove that no other nation worships the god of thrift as it is worshipped in the islands of Japan. The French, the Scandinavians, the Dutch are profligate when compared to the Japanese.

What the Japanese fail to realize, according to Mr. Patric, is that America, the most wasteful nation in the world, has changed its habits sufficiently to knock the

Japanese blueprint for victory into a cocked hat. Thrift, toughness and cruelty are a formidable combination. But they are not enough to win a war against an aroused United States.

### Answer on Germany Lies Between Two Viewpoints

WHAT is believed to be the most authoritative Allied estimate yet made on the subject puts Germany's wartime losses at 6,000,000 men killed, wounded and captured.

The estimate is made by Col. Francisco Moravec, chief military intelligence officer of the exiled Czechoslovak government, and is reported to coincide closely with calculations made by the British and American intelligence services.

Col. Moravec estimates that in the last year alone Germany has suffered 2,500,000 casualties, has exhausted all present resources for the armed forces and has only the youngest age groups to draw from to make up for future losses.

This situation sounds encouraging, and should be regarded as such, but it might be the course of prudence to contrast it with a note of caution from the Office of War Information.

O.W.I. makes capital of the point that so far in the war the United Nations have liberated only one-fifth of the territory conquered by Germany and one-twentieth of the territory overrun by Japan. American military leaders, according to O.W.I., believe much heavy fighting is necessary to crush Germany and that there is no short and easy route to the conquest of Japan.

O.W.I. points out that the German army, despite heavy losses, is still relatively intact, well equipped, well trained and capable of putting up a tremendous battle; that the German air force is still powerful and that German war output, although considerably lessened by Allied bombing, is still impressive. And O.W.I. adds that despite heavy fighting, the Allies have not succeeded in coming to grips with the main Japanese land or sea forces.

This view of the situation is not so encouraging, but still not discouraging. It is propaganda designed to offset ill-considered optimism. The answer lies somewhere between the two viewpoints. In any conflict between two powerful arrays, even though one is steadily forging a definite edge in power, no speedy knockout can be expected. The Allies are earning their knockout victory, but they have had to come from far behind to do it.

The news that Gen. Sultan has been named deputy to Gen. Stilwell must have come as a fearful shock to those Nazis who are scared blue the Turks are going to get into this war.

The Finns always pay their war debt installments on time. But they'd be even smarter if they got out of this war in time.

Another thing that irks Hitler is that the Allies seem to have a monopoly on highly-successful "military idiots."

Nobody, says Hitler, will win the war. What he really must mean is nobody with whom he is on speaking terms.

A jet-propelled transport plane, thinks the man at the next desk, probably will be known as a jetney bus.

### The Browser's Bookshelf

By MARSHALL MASLIN

After you get past the sour fact that Charles G. Norris rarely writes a good sentence and that his characters are less lifelike than the dummies in the men's store-windows, you find yourself trapped by Mr. Norris's latest novel, "Plint" (Doubleday Doran). His dialogue is stilted, he writes of one of his characters "authoring" an article in a magazine, and the conclusion of his novel is phony, melodramatic and obviously preachy—but the Browser defies you to read it without interest. It is current history novelized, and the history is less than ten years behind us during the years when San Francisco's port was tied up for months by strikes and a general strike split the town wide-open.

Whatever Mr. Norris's own opinions may be, he conceals them in this story. He gives both sides of a bitter battle, even though his central characters are members of a mighty shipowning family that battles for its status as bitterly as its employees battled for a thirty-hour week, higher wages and hiring halls.

The author quite naturally declares that he is writing fiction, not fact; but his setting is real, even though he replaces actual human beings with fictional characters. He brings in a murder (or manslaughter) of a ship officer on the Oakland waterfront, replaces District Attorney Warren with another character, red-bearded fanatic who is actually the outcast runaway son of the shipowning family, finally brings Rory O'Brien into brutal conflict with his cousin who has become head of the ship-owning family. Therein is a shocking distortion of fact that almost wrecks the book.

But the Browser read it to the bitter end. He is not sure that other writers, less vitally interested in the facts behind the story, will do the same. But they might.

The publishers of Louella O. Parsons's book about herself, "The Gay Lilliput" (Doubleday Doran) blurb it as "a warm, gay and revealing book" and, by golly, it is! Everybody knows who Louella is—she's the great American reporter of the movies—and her book is what the boys call a honey. She's been around and she knows what she is writing about. She knows herself and she knows what people say about her. Her job as she sees it is to get the story and to write it exclusively for her own papers—let the others take the leftovers, she had it first!

Lin Yutang's edition of "The Wisdom of Confucius" (Modern Library) is pleasant reading. Even though his wife found him too fussy for her taste and ran away from him, he was actually a philosopher of jest and wit.

The Baroness Van Boecop's "The King Tree" is the story of three generations in the Dutch East Indies. If she has her facts straight, the Indonesians have many just grievances. "Empire builders" are no softies. Enough from Marshall Maslin.

THE BROWSER.

## Senate May Probe Alleged Willkie Link With White House

By CENTRAL PRESS

WASHINGTON—Capital political observers see the Senate move to investigate charges of an alleged tie-up between Wendell Willkie and the White House as the opening gun of the 1944 presidential campaign.

If the Senate Privilege and Elections committee acts on a resolution of Senator William Langer (R.) of North Dakota, and investigates charges contained in C. Nelson Sparks's book, "One Man—Wendell Willkie," Harry Hopkins, key Roosevelt adviser, will be put on the political spot for the first time.

Hopkins has appeared before congressional committees on monetary matters but Capitol Hill anti-New Dealers have never been able to get him before them for official interrogation on his political activities. It was Harry who engineered the "third term" drive and who is generally credited with spark-plugging for a fourth term F.D.R. candidacy.

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The letter predicts the G.O.P. nomination of Willkie in 1944 and as purportedly written to Dr. Humphrey Lee, president of Southern Methodist university, adds, "I can promise you good co-operation from that quarter if you think it would be helpful."

Hopkins has called both the letters and its "Hopkins" signature "forgeries" and has asked the F.B.I. to investigate. Whatever the outcome, politicians note that Republican leaders recently met to select Chicago as the 44 convention site—and that when the Democratic meeting is held on Jan. 22 the 1944 campaign will be on.

And they point to the strategic timing involved if the Senate committee authorizes a formal inquiry into the Sparks charges and summons as witnesses both Willkie and Hopkins.

Choice Cigars Hit

If what the Connecticut valley tobacco growers say is true—1944 will see fewer of the "better grade" cigars on the market. Reason, say the growers, is that the Commodity Credit Corporation won't allocate them 25,000 tons of cottonseed oil meal for fertilizer.

Choice grade tobacco leaves used for cigar wrappers must have the cottonseed meal, according to agronomists. Industry men say that seventy-five per cent of the nation's cigar production will be suspended, for lack of wrappers.

Naval Death Hunt This Year

An increasing flood of warships may be expected during 1944 in preparation for a death hunt against the Imperial Japanese navy. Recent sinking of the German battleship Scharnhorst off Norway helped improve still further the Allied fleet situation. Heavy British and American fleet units have been tied down in the North Sea area for just such eventualities.

Just how far America and the Allies have come in the past year on the high seas is indicated by the fact that the United States Pacific fleet alone now is ready to cope with any force Japan wishes to send against it.

Air Power Grows

United States air power in the Pacific is emphasized, too, in Secretary of the Navy Knox's disclosure.

### ONE STROKE DOES IT



AFTER long planning and preparation, Adrian Grassley splits the famed "Liberator" diamond while experts and newsmen watch in a closely guarded New York workroom. Valued at \$200,000, the 155-carat stone, largest ever found in Venezuela, was named to honor Simon Bolivar, South American hero and revolutionist.



## Youth Problem Calls for More Discipline And Less Punishment, Paul Mallon Says

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 — The person who is as much to blame as the delinquent parent for juvenile delinquency is the widespread feeling of the young is reactionary Victorianism or old fogeyism.

Once Allied forces land on the continent of Europe and establish a firm beachhead, other British and American Atlantic fleet units probably will be released for service against Japan. With the addition of Italian and French warships, developments spell plenty of head-aches for the Naval Nips in '44. ZKey- et hidrius ona shrdlu

### Bottlenecks Are Being Cracked

From the Johnstown, Pa., Democrat

The prodigious achievement of American industry and labor, combined with the spectacular success of the navy in thwarting Axis submarines, has put an initial crack into some of the most burdensome civilian bottlenecks.

Specifically, we now have caught them—or are on the verge of catching up—with shortage in aluminum, copper, steel, cast iron, wool and rubber for most purposes except heavy duty tires.

The improvement is not necessarily permanent. Another of the continual shifts in front line requirements, a revival of ship losses, a moderately protected strike or "holiday" in any of these industries, and the tiny surpluses in excess of critical war needs would vanish.

Barring one of these eventualities, it will be possible for the W. P. B. to allocate increased quantities of material to civilian needs. Indeed, in certain fields such allocations could have been made already if manpower and machines were available to utilize the raw materials without interfering with war production.

In general, here are some of the blessings we can expect or for which we can hope in the near future.

There is enough wool so that all restrictions are off its use for clothing, even to cuffs and patch pockets on men's suits. Some 1,600,000 yards of army reject nylon has been released for use in garments, but not for hosiery.

There is no ban on use of synthetic rubber for garments, and it appears that the passenger car tire situation will loosen up a bit, at least enough to help war and business users.

Cast iron is becoming available for kitchen ware, flatirons, etc., and steel can be used for coat hangers, screens, carpet sweepers, hand tools and similar items.

There is copper for insect screens, repair parts for household labor-saving devices, electrical equipment and plumbing fixtures.

This doesn't mean that you will get all of those things at once. On many of them there are two looks—raw material and manufacturing facilities. The first has been loosened. The second hasn't necessarily. The W. P. B. authorizes fabrication of eighty per cent as much farm machinery as in 1940, for example, but that industry may be able to turn out only seventy per cent after meeting its obligations to the fighting men, though the raw materials are available.

There still are clouds in the sky. But they are lighter. The sun is going to come up.

Where these foolish people get mixed up is that they do not understand the difference between discipline and punishment. The best discipline may never need punishment. If discipline were perfect, there would be no reason for punishment.

Nor does punishment mean that every little Joe Doakes should be taken out to the woodshed every hour on the hour—or perhaps at all. Punishment must be intelligent.

That is all modern mental science teaches, as I get it. It is truly old-fogeyism. It is worse, it is a crime for irate parents or teachers to flail youths unjustly, unfairly, indiscriminately.

Punishment can be made effective in a thousand other ways than with a switch or ruler. It depends on the child. The denial of something a child dearly wants could be a worse blow to him than a strap across his or her pants.

Punishment should differ as widely as personalities differ. It must only be to be effective—that is, corrective.

Modern psychological science merely teaches that the Victorian methods of physical punishment were more often unintelligent than not, indeed sometimes expressed the sadism and mental deficiency of the donor. Overly and exasperated parents could ruin a child's mental outlook for life with unintelligent punishment.

Change Necessary

That was a crime against society. It had to be changed. But it is a far greater crime today to rush to the opposite extreme and seek to abolish both discipline and punishment. It is greater because it creates such situations as we are involved in today.

Inhibitions is another misunderstood word. Popular tomfoolery holds it to be a calamity for anyone, even an adult to have an inhibition.

Is a parentally induced inhibition against adolescent girls having sexual relations with soldiers and sailors a bad thing? (One soldier has written me protesting that servicemen are not responsible for conditions, that the child-girls chase the men and the problem is one of enforcement against them by their parents, not against soldiers and sailors—and there is evidence to support his point.)

Truths Not Understood

But is an inhibition against stealing bad? Murder? Indecency? No scientist I ever encountered in books or person ever contended so. If they did, you and I would know they were wrong.

But the people generally do not always understand these simple obvious common-sense truths. They have not been given that type of leadership by prominent people, yes even by the press, radio and magazines, in the pulp or in the schools.

The loose-running theorists are exerting the "preponderant public pressure" today—the most popular pressure.

As long as they do, you will have ever increasing juvenile delinquency, and a nation degenerating rapidly in its moral fibre or strength.

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Paul Mallon

## Women Promote Whisper Campaign To Push Victory

By MARGARET KERNODLE  
AP Features Writer

WASHINGTON—A "good housewife" whispering campaign has invaded the capital and 599 other cities in thirty-four states since last summer.

It was started by a wiry little woman because she believes women love to talk. (She does too.) She thought it might be a good idea to have something worthwhile to talk about.

She said to herself that if scandal can scatter from one side of the continent to the other, why can't something constructive travel that way as well?

That's how the National League of Women Voters (a non-partisan organization) got the idea for its pretty white-haired president, Marguerite M. Wells, to whisper words that persuade people to think about United States foreign policy.

Explained by Leaders

Leaders went home from Washington and St. Louis training schools to explain the campaign and organized neighborhood squads to drop "unusual conversations" seeds.

St. Louis has 350 squads, Connecticut seventy-seven, the District of Columbia thirty-three, Kansas City twenty-seven, Dallas ten, Dayton put up billboards about the campaign at every approach to the city; Minnesota asked for 52,000 copies of a quiz "Choose Your Foreign Policy," put out by the league, and Oberlin, O., sent 180 women to visit every house in town.

In California and New York, Wisconsin and Massachusetts, women just talk with (never at) their neighbors in the bus, at the back door, or anywhere handy. Newspapers have backed them with editorials.

Family Joins In

Husbands and children joined the conversation campaign.

The conversation principle is simple: Always say something simply, listen to your conversational pick-up pal more than you talk and never, never argue.

The National League of Women Voters indorses no special party plan, but hopes to talk people into individual responsibility for United States foreign policy. Calculated is that a member a day talking is a prospect a day reaches 3,000,000 people in two months.

Preferred to talk to are the "people too busy to read books, too interested to listen to radio programs or attend meetings on foreign policy or so modest they think nothing they do will matter."

League Claims Credit

The league claims some credit for the public popularity of the Moscow agreement and passage of the amended Connally postwar policy resolution.

Bi-weekly cues give members the tip on current foreign policy topics suggest "mind-blocks," which might be fear of Russia or lend lease, and memos on pros and cons. Miss Wells also sends out a monthly sheet in which she expresses her things as the idea that a voter choose to be dependent "not upon study or earning" but upon judgment and upon lessons learned through common experience of life.

The league sends out a bi-weekly newsletter about Congress. The whispering campaign on foreign policy will continue as long as the league considers it pertinent.

"Ought To Be Ain't Is"

From the Wheeling, W. Va., Intelligencer

One of our favorite characters of fiction, one Wildcat Vitus Maraden—the brain child, we believe, of Hugh Wiley—was wont to remark upon occasion that "Ought to be ain't is."

We were reminded of the Wildcat's sage observation when reading Secretary Jones's admonition that the public "shouldn't expect too many bargains" in post-war disposal of surplus government materials.

He told a House committee that the government must "let out its surplus holdings slowly, 'feeding' supplies out as the demand can absorb them," but that the sales should be at prices which would return a reasonable proportion of their original cost to the government.

With respect to government-owned manufacturing plants, he said that these should be released "without destroying private business," but at the same time without permitting great "concentration" in the hands of private interests.

With all of this we thoroughly agree. Surplus supplies should be sold slowly and at reasonable compensatory prices for many reasons. In the first place, they represent tax money, and every dollar saved in taxes—or should mean that. Then, too, their too rapid distribution or their sale at ridiculously low prices would tend to disrupt the national economy.

We say that everything should be done as Mr. Jones says it should. But "ought to be ain't is." Unless there is brought to the business of disposing of government surplus supplies a degree of intelligence, realism and honesty not usually associated with such enterprise there will be plenty of waste and graft and economic dislocation attending the unloading process.

### Morning Motto

Medicine is the only profession that labors incessantly to destroy the reason for its own existence.—JAMES BRYCE.

### Factographs

It is estimated that four-sevenths of the agricultural production of the United States, measured in farm value, comes from plants originally domesticated by the Indians.

United States farm income for 1943 was estimated at \$19,000,000,000, compared with \$4,743,000,000 in 1932.

The lower fringes of northern lights are about fifty miles above the earth.







## LaVale Brownie Troop Pays Tribute to Mrs. Tepper

Posters Are Sent to Troop Leader Who Is Ill at Her Home

The LaVale Brownie troop met Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in the LaVale fire hall, under the direction of Mrs. Doug Smith. The first part of the meeting was spent in making posters to be sent to Mrs. Frank Tepper, troop leader, who is ill at her home, and was unable to attend the meeting. A chart, containing the Brownie Pledge, and a tribute of appreciation to Mrs. Tepper for her work in organizing the troop and sponsoring its activities, was made in the form of a Jigsaw puzzle.

The remainder of the meeting was in the form of a social during which the children played games and held impromptu entertainment.

Practice for the play, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," will be resumed at a meeting Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in the fire hall. The play will be presented at an early date. Mrs. Tepper wrote the script for the dramatization and is directing the presentation.

## Cresap Chapter of D.A.R. Will Elect Delegates

Delegates to the state conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be elected at a meeting of the Cresap Chapter of the organization Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Ralph R. Henry, 808 Greene street.

Mrs. John Robb, chairman of National Defense for the chapter, will be in charge of the program for the afternoon. Mrs. Pan Lloyd, regent, will preside at the business session at which reports will be read and future schedules arranged.

Mrs. Marshall Miller will assist Mrs. Henry as hostess during the social meeting.

## NEW DINNER DRESS



THIS DINNER DRESS is of white crepe, embroidered in sparkling bugle beads below a fitted waistline.

## Robert Lee Porter Weds Virginia T. Grindle

Miss Virginia Terment Grindle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Grindle, Lonaconing, and Robert Lee Porter, son of James Porter, Ellerslie, were married Friday afternoon in the parsonage of the Ellerslie church with the Rev. Thomas Ward Kemp officiating at the ceremony.

Mrs. J. Stuart Kuhnle, Westernport, was the sister's matron of honor, and James Porter, Jr., Aliquippa, Pa., was best man.

Following the ceremony a dinner was served at the home of the bridegroom's parents.

The couple left on a wedding trip to Pittsburgh and upon their return they will reside in Ellerslie.

## Engineering Club Will Hear Address By City Engineer

Cumberland Municipal Airport Will Be Subject of Rizer's Talk

Ralph L. Rizer, city engineer, will address the members of the Engineering Club of Cumberland at the dinner meeting of the organization Wednesday evening at 6:45 o'clock at the All Ghan Shrine Country club. The Cumberland Municipal Airport will be the topic of Rizer's address.

The Engineering Club is comprised of fifty-two men representing every branch of engineering, Engineers and professional men from various parts of the country, representing key industries of the nation, have been guest speakers at the monthly meetings of the club during the past year.

J. C. Whitesel, recently elected president of the club, will be in charge of the meeting.

## Miss Virginia Ogilvie's Engagement Is Announced

Mr. and Mrs. David Ogilvie, 542 Fairmont avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Virginia Ogilvie, to Raymond White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond White, 125 Grand avenue.

Miss Ogilvie is a graduate of Allegheny high school and is employed by the Kelly Springfield Tire company.

Mr. White attended Port Hill high school and is employed at the Post Office.

An early spring wedding will be held.

## Worth Coble Will Wed Mary E. Critchfield

Miss Mary Elizabeth Critchfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert LeRoy Critchfield, Cleveland ave., and Worth D. Coble, son of Mr. and Mrs. Worth D. Coble, Burlington, N. C., will be married Wednesday, February 2, in the First Presbyterian church at 7 o'clock in the evening. The Rev. William Eisenberger, pastor of the church, will officiate at the ceremony.

The bride-elect will be honored at a kitchen shower Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Robert Poe, 818 Gephart drive.

## Announce Marriage

Miss Dorothy Jane Harvey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Harvey, 229 Carroll street, and Corporal Benjamin Poole, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Poole, 300 Decatur street, were married October 19, 1943, in the parsonage of the First Methodist church. The Rev. George E. Baughman officiated at the ceremony.

Mrs. Poole is employed by the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone company here. Corporal Poole, prior to entering the service, was employed by the Times and Alleganian company.

The bride is residing at the home of her parents for the duration.

## Spring Twosome



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## Mothers Club of LaVale To Hear Christine Ruehl

Lesson in "Food for Victory" Campaign Will Be Given

The LaVale Mothers club will meet at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in the auditorium of the LaVale school.

Miss Christine Ruehl will present the fourth lesson in the "Food for Victory" campaign. The title of the lesson will be "Food Facts and Fiction." A report will be made by the members of the cafeteria committee.

Following the lesson a cafeteria meeting will be held in the auditorium at 2:30 o'clock. All mothers interested in serving in the school cafeteria will be present at this meeting.

## Personals

Miss Margaret Cassidy, Philadelphia, who was here to attend the funeral of William Ways, has returned.

Mrs. C. A. Eyre, 301 Washington street, returned last night after spending the past two weeks visiting her husband, C. A. Eyre, who is employed by the government in Lebanon, Ohio.

Miss Betty Wilkinson and Miss Carol Gelson, Queens Village, Long Island, are the guests of Miss Kathryn Williams, 802 Trout avenue.

Mrs. Raymond M. Baker, 718 Hill Top Drive, confined to her home for the past four weeks with a serious illness, is improving.

Mont. Thomas D. Campbell, Piedmont, Va., is a guest of Mrs. Alan C. Fisher, 512 Cumberland street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Smouse, Martinsville, Va., who have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Weaver, Kentucky avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smouse, Union Grove road, left for Lafayette, Ind., where Mr. Smouse will be an instructor in the Naval Training department of Purdue University.

Sgt. and Mrs. William P. Cavanaugh have returned to Buffalo, N. Y., where Sgt. Cavanaugh is stationed, after visiting his mother, Mrs. P. W. Cavanaugh, Windsor Road, The Dalles.

Major LeRoy D. Crane, aide to Maj. Gen. LeRoy Lutes, Washington, is making a brief visit with his family at the home of Mrs. Crane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee Carl, 10 Decatur street. His daughter, Diane, who has been ill since May, leaves next Saturday for Arizona for an indefinite stay. Major Crane has just returned from temporary duty in North Africa and Italy. From the time of his departure until his return he covered over 30,000 miles by air.

Mrs. Gordon H. Code, Jr., Baltimore, is spending the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Lippold, Alviret avenue.

Lieut. and Mrs. Kenneth Berry and infant son, Michael, Port Leonard, Wood, Mo., are visiting Mrs. Berry's mother, Mrs. A. C. Kennell, 341 Bedford street.

Pvt. Leroy D. Saville returned to Army Air Base, Alliance, Neb., after spending a sixteen day furlough with his wife and son, 204 Humbird street, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Saville, 402 Grand avenue. He was summoned home due to the death of his sister, Mrs. Onetta Plummer.

Miss Jenny Stroupe, Hagerstown, and Miss Josephine Fries, Martinsburg, W. Va., returned to their homes yesterday after visiting Miss Gertrude O'Donnell, 211 Race street.

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Ralph Ritchie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sarah G. Ritchie, Frostburg, has entered the Nashville Army Air Center, Nashville, Tenn., where he will take physical and psychological examinations to determine for which branch of air crew service, bombardier, navigator or pilot, he is best fitted.

Don F. Ringler, fireman second class, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Ringler, 802 Michigan avenue, has completed basic training at the submarine school, New London, Conn. A graduate of Fort Hill high school, Ringler went to Bainbridge, Md., training station after joining the navy last April.

Aviation Cadet Edward C. Greene, husband of Mrs. Vivian Greene, 307 Grand avenue, has been transferred from San Antonio, Tex., to Cimarron field, Oklahoma City, Okla., for completion of primary flight training.

Lt. Robert K. Wilkins, formerly of 415 Louisiana avenue, has been transferred from Hendricks field, Sebring, Fla., to the Army Air Base, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mrs. Violet Freno, 14 Klosterman's addition, received word that her husband, Pfc. Tony Freno, has been promoted to sergeant at Camp Steven, Ga. Two of his brothers, Cpl. Joseph Freno, Camp Reynolds, Pa., and Pfc. Robert Freno, MacDill field, Fla., are spending furloughs with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Freno, 465 Warren street.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Carpentri, 306 Waverly terrace, received word their son, First Lt. Peter J. Carpentri, was recently transferred from Sicily to Civil Censorship Section, somewhere in Italy. Prior to leaving Sicily, Lt. Carpentri located his aunt whom he had not seen since she left Cumberland in 1920.

Pfc. E. Clay Huff, husband of Mrs. Betty Huff, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Huff, Potomac Park, is stationed somewhere in India.

Roger X. Day, Jr., seaman, second class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger X. Day, Frostburg, has been transferred from Jacksonville, Fla., to Memphis, Tenn.

Pfc. Millard F. Williamson, husband of Mrs. Rachel Williamson, 503 North Mechanic street, and son of Mr. and Mrs. French Williamson, Knox street, arrived in England.

Word was received that Pvt. Merle Kifer, son of Walter Kifer, Oldtown, was transferred from Sicily to Sardinia.

William E. Powell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Powell, 512 H.W. street, has been promoted to sergeant at Camp Shanks, N. Y. A brother, Jack Vincent Powell, is ill in the U. S. Naval hospital, Annapolis.

Paul M. Catherman, fl/c, has arrived at a California port after a six-months tour of duty in the Southwest Pacific, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Catherman, Frostburg.

Mrs. David Lauder, Lonaconing, received word that Corp. Allan D. Lauder, arrived in the Pacific area. He was stationed at Camp Edwards, Mass.

Mrs. Jane Muir Haney, Lonaconing, in a recent communication from her husband, Elec. Mate 1/c Ralph L. Haney, learned that he is on a rest period at an unknown destination after having served 14 months in the Southwest Pacific. Mrs. Haney also received word that her brother, Major Hugh H. Muir, is in Italy.

Mrs. Mae J. Orndoff, 115 Willis Creek avenue, received word that her son, Staff Sgt. Charles M. Orndoff, has been granted a promotion to Technical Sergeant. He is stationed in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Another son, Clyde E. Orndoff, has been transferred from Australia to New Guinea.

Paul S. Grove graduated Jan. 15 from the Army Air Forces Navigation School, San Marcos, Texas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Grove, Berkeley Springs, a graduate of Berkeley Springs High School, and of Shepherdstown College. He was formerly employed in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Reckley, 1201 Bedford street, were advised that their son, Pvt. Howard Reckley, arrived in North Africa.

## Karmyn L. Reinke Becomes Bride of Naval Officer

Ensign John E. Phillips Weds Bowling Green Girl in Annapolis

Miss Karmyn L. Reinke, daughter of Mrs. C. D. Adams, Bowling Green, and Ensign John E. Phillips, United States Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Phillips, Sr., Brazil, Ind., were married Friday evening, January 7, in the Naval Academy chapel. Captain Thomas, chaplain, officiated at the ceremony.

Miss Dixie Rafter, Cumberland, was maid of honor, and Ensign Robert W. Jones, Terre Haute, Ind., was best man.

Mrs. Phillips is a graduate of Allegheny high school and Catherman's business school and is employed in the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington.

Ensign Phillips is a graduate of Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., and is enrolled in the United States Naval Reserve, Annapolis.

After the ceremony a reception in honor of the couple was held in Carvel Hall.

## Events in Brief

The senior class of Ursuline Academy will present "Dora Dean," a three-act comedy drama, tonight in SS. Peter and Paul hall, Payette street. Leo H. Ley, assisted by his daughter, Miss Irene Ley, will direct the production. After the play members of the cast will be entertained by the Ursuline Auxiliary.

The Co-operative Traffic Program of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad will meet Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Baltimore and Ohio Y.M.C.A. with Mrs. Vada Drumm Barnard presiding.

Boy Scout Troop No. 4, of Centre street Methodist church, will hold the first meeting since the troop has been re-organized, tonight at 7 o'clock in the church hall. Edward Ryan will be in charge.

The Loomis Bible class of the First Baptist church will meet Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. James Corfield, 405 Columbia street.

The Wesleyan Service Guild of the Centre street Methodist church will hold the first dinner-meeting of the year Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock in the church hall.

Members of the Allegheny County Christian Endeavor Union will meet Tuesday evening at the Central Y.M.C.A. Miss Margaret Doak will preside.

Court Cardinal Gibbons, No. 529, Catholic Daughters of America, will meet tonight at 8:15 o'clock at the home, Union street.

A rummage sale will be held Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock in the basement of the Centre street Methodist church under the sponsorship of Circle No. 2, Women's Society of Christian Service.

The Women's Society of Christian Service of Corriganville Methodist church will hold a P-Nut Sister party Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the church hall.

The Cumberland Ministers Association will meet this morning at 10:30 o'clock in the library of the Central Y.M.C.A.

Officers for the ensuing year will be elected at the annual luncheon meeting of the Girl Scout Council at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Centre Street Methodist church hall. Mrs. Morris Barnes will preside.

The Ladies Auxiliary of Canton Allegheny No. 4, I.O.O.F., will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. W. L. Ranck, 20 Harrison street. Officers will be elected.

The Thomas-Burke Circle of the First Presbyterian church will meet at the church house this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Mrs. William Cramer, Sr. and Mrs. Robert Pink will be hostesses.

The Baine-Amick Circle of the church will meet at the church house this evening at 7:45 o'clock. Hostesses will be Mrs. Arch Miller and Mrs. Oliver Smith.

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## Homemakers of Pleasant Grove To Induct Officers

Mrs. Roy Smith Will Be Installed as President of Club

Mrs. Roy Smith will be installed president of the Pleasant Grove Homemakers Club at a meeting Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. James Michael, Baltimore Pike.

Other officers to be installed are

Mrs. Michael, vice-president; Mrs. Howard Perrin, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Raymond Minke, publicity chairman; Mrs. Marvin Hinkle, reading and garden chairman; Mrs. Perrin, peace chairman.

A program of activities for the new year will be arranged and routine business will be discussed.

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## Fort Hill Sentinels Entertain Martinsburg Floormen Tonight

Clash Is One of Two Listed for Local Courts This Week; WMIL Race Resumes Tomorrow

The Fort Hill High Sentinels, winners of their last two games, will keep the ball rolling tonight at 8 o'clock when they meet the Martinsburg (W.Va.) High Bulldogs at the Fort Hill floor.

The clash will be one of two enagements listed for local courts this week. The district scholastic program calls for twenty-seven games, but the Fort Hill-Martinsburg clash and Allegheny's engagement with Bruce high of Westport, may night are the only offerings of local layouts.

The program calls for three games for Fort Hill and two each for Allegheny and the LaSalle High players. Beall high, of Froburg, which played its second game last night, will go to the post four games while Romney and Paw Paw addition to Fort Hill, are booked for three clashes.

Fort Hill's game with Fort Hill will be only the second start for John Coburn's Bulldogs, who opened last week with a victory over Waynesboro (Pa.) high. The West Virginians showed a lot of class and shape up as stiff opposition for "Bobby" Cavanaugh's Sentinels.

**WMIL Clashes Tomorrow**  
Fort Hill will seek its fourth victory in eight starts this season following a 7 o'clock preliminary between Luther Cox's Dreadnaughts and the Fort Hill reserves. Cliff Keyser will referee the main game. The only other game on tap tonight is Wardensville at Paw Paw, which is favored to sweep the home-and-home series. Wardensville bowled 13-20 to Paw Paw in the first meeting.

All three local teams will be in action tomorrow night on out-of-town courts. Fort Hill will travel to Froburg for a Western Maryland Interscholastic League clash.

## Hubbell, Martin Think Reds Will Win '44 Pennant

Sports Writer Does His Selecting as of This Minute

By WHITNEY MARTIN  
NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (AP)—It's all very nice to find somebody who agrees with you, if it's only on the current time, so it is pleasant to learn that Carl Hubbell thinks the Cincinnati Reds will be the team to beat in the National League this year.

Now we have been picking the Reds to win pennants for so long that the only way we could change would be to be taken abruptly cold. They came through a couple of times, and last year would have finished first if it hadn't been for one thing, the St. Louis Cardinals.

Naturally, trying to do a complete major league race at this time like predicting what will happen to your million dollars, and if you haven't any million dollars that makes no difference. We may not have any major league races either.

**A Sound Foundation**  
So you have to do your selecting at this minute, and just imagine the rest, and in selecting the Reds as of this minute you have a pretty sound foundation under you. In fact, if they just continued where they left off last year you wouldn't have to worry about anything. They were the sizzlingest team in the league, winning thirteen of their last sixteen games, with five of them shutouts and the opposition getting more than three runs in only two games.

The Reds were getting pitching in such quantities they could have played a doubleheader every day. Even the relief men, Joe Beggs and Clyde Shoun, were starting and winning.

Now the Reds have lost men to the armed services in quantity—Lennie Frey, called this month, was the twenty-fourth—but with the exception of Frey they were key men. Frey's loss will hurt, but otherwise the lineup is fairly intact, including the pitching staff.

**The Pitching Staff**  
Ah, yes, that pitching staff. The way it was going late last season the Reds could play this year with only three or four men in the field, figuring that the league batting as a whole will be inferior even to last year's rather modest clouting. You give guys like Joe Beggs and John Vander Meer and Bucky Walters and Clyde Shoun and Elmer Riddle and you don't need much else.

Manager Bill McKechnie is a conservative sort of soul, who likes his players to have at least a little seasoning before they come under his wing. He'll sprinkle green sprouts in the lineup here and there if it needs to be, but he really prefers rather ancient, aged-in-the-wood athletes who may be slow on their feet but are fast in the head.

As a result he has a club well sprinkled with well-matured, family men who haven't been so much in demand by Uncle Sam as some of the younger players. Uncle Sam may get around to them, but then too he might get around to all the clubs if the labor draft went through. But right now we agree with Carl Hubbell. Or rather, Carl Hubbell agrees with us.

## Nelson Virtually Clinches 54-Hole Golf Tournament

Former Open and Pro Champ Increases Lead to Five Strokes

By RUSS NEWLAND  
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 16 (AP)—Burning up the course with a third successive below par round, Byron Nelson, of Toledo, O., increased his lead over the field today with a fifty-four-hole total of 205 in the \$10,000 San Francisco Victory open golf tournament.

Nelson's four-under-par 68 for the Harding Park public links gave him a five-stroke advantage over his closest rival, Harold "Jug" McSpaden, of Philadelphia, and virtually clinched him top money of the rich tournament, barring a complete breakdown of his game in tomorrow's final eighteen-hole round.

A gallery estimated at more than 7,000 fans elbowed each other in a mad rush to follow the former National open and Professional Golfers' Association champion, whose successive 68-69 and 68 enabled him to hold the lead from the start.

**First Nine in 34**  
He obliged the largest turnout in local golf history by rounding the first nine today in 34 and coming up the eighteenth fairway five under par. His only poorly-played hole of the day proved to be the last. On the green in two and with a thirty-five-foot putt, he elected to play safe and putted weakly, the ball stopping five feet away from the cup. He missed the next and went down for a bogey five, costing him what would have been a 67 and the finest round of the tournament.

Par for the course is 36-36-72. Nelson, favorite from the start, gained two strokes today over McSpaden, winner of the recent Los Angeles open. McSpaden carded his third straight 70 for a 210, which was a shot better than that of the former New York Yankee baseball player, Sam Byrd, of Detroit.

Slender Lloyd Mangrum, of Monterey Park, Calif., who goes into the army Tuesday, took over fourth place with a 71 and total 212 while Art Bell, San Francisco, and George Fazio, Pine Valley, N. J., shared fifth position with a total of 215.

**Cooper's Chances Fade**  
After being well up among the leaders for the first two rounds, little Harry Cooper, of Minneapolis, faded away some of his chances by taking a 76 which gave him a three-round score of 217.

Nelson's fine 68 was equalled by two others during the third round. John Bulla, of Chicago, coupled a pair of 34s to take a tie at 218 with Ellsworth Vines, Monterey Park, California, and Joe Kirkwood Jr., Philadelphia. Harry Bassler, of Culver City, Calif., put together 35-33, bagging an eagle and two birdies on the last three holes, to get into the 220-shot bracket with W. A. Stackhouse, of Seguin, Texas. Just ahead of these two was Mark Fry, of Oakland, former California open champion, with 219.

**Contracts Sent To 30 Phillies**  
PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16 (AP)—Contracts for thirty potential Phillies were in the mail today—and only one was addressed to a player who reported to the National League club's spring training camp last year.

Not only that but the one "veteran," Right Fielder Ron Northey, isn't at all sure he wants any of the folding money which the Phillies' new management is putting on the line. "I'm learning a good trade," he said at Camden, N. J., where he's a pitcher's helper. "I'm R. M. Hollingshead war plant, and it will come in handy after my baseball days are over."

Manager Freddy Fitzsimmons already is under contract, and so are Coaches Chuck Klein and Mervyn Shea and Pitchers Bill Lee, Al Verdel and Warren (Moore) Pralick. Indications point to a squad of thirty-six showing off for Wilmington, Del., March 19.

**Allegheny's Reserves Defeat Hi-Y Cagers**  
The Allegheny high reserves, with Lincoln caging eleven points and Armstrong ten, defeated the Allegheny Hi-Y quint, 31-27, in a recent battle. The reserves, who trailed 13-10 at the half and 24-23 at the close of the third stanza after leading 6-5 at the quarter, rallied in the final period to win. Davis scored twelve of the Hi-Y's points.

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Centre Street Methodist cagers were tagged with their first defeat in the 1943-44 Central Y.M.C.A. Church League race Saturday afternoon, United Brethren doing the "tagging" by a score of 15-8.

The Centre Street loss leaves St. Luke's defending champions perched in first place. St. Luke's continued its undefeated march with a 22-14 decision over First Methodist for its sixth straight triumph.

In other games, Grace Methodist topped St. Mark's 25-13, St. John's swamped Davis Memorial 51-7, St. Paul's posted a 49-25 victory over Presbyterian and First Baptist trounced Episcopal 33-4.

Mervin Cox, of St. Paul's, reaped one of the highest point harvests of the season—twenty-five tallies. Episcopal was limited to one basket in losing to First Baptist.

Casimir Myslinski, Army center, has been awarded the Rockne trophy by the Washington Touchdown Club. The trophy goes to the college linesman judged to be outstanding throughout the nation.

## The Sportlight by GRANTLAND RICE

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### The Age Limit

Since the major portion of our competitive people are young men flying, marching, sailing and perhaps dying for their country, we have been giving more than normal space to the older order, who are beyond the draft. We had moved the active list up to 84, before we were challenged by Frank Menke, the Record Machine, who can take you from Abel and Cain to Beau Jack and Pukka Gin. Mr. Menke writes, more in anger than in sorrow—

"Dear Grant—It is perhaps fitting that you brush back Colonel Matt J. Winn, 82—Connie Mack, 81, and Alonzo Stagg, 81, from the front line in the patriarchal league so that Arlie Latham, 84, may be thrust into the spotlight. These men have passed three score and ten, with something to spare. They have even passed four score. They are remarkable people in their proof that one can slip on by 80 years and still be active and helpful in sport.

"But what are you going to do about George P. Slosson? Slosson teaches billiards at the Twentieth Century Billiard Academy in Boston. He also puts on daily, or almost daily, exhibitions. He engages in impromptu matches, and usually wins with ease. He is still amateur artist. And George Slosson's ninety-first birthday is just around the corner.

### The No Limit Game

What is the top age of competition? We recall the golf match at Daytona Beach, Florida, between John D. Rockefeller, 91 and General Ames, 93, some years ago. And it wasn't for fun.

We also recall another golf match between John D. at 91 and George F. Baker, 89, about the same time. Together at that moment they were worth around \$500,000,000. They played three holes for twenty-five cents. This gives you an inkling as to why they were worth half a billion, or possibly more.

My favorite still is the golf senior competitor last year, who at 85, protested because they wanted him to play nine holes in the forenoon and then nine holes in the afternoon. The veteran Long Islander wanted

his eighteen holes straight. Pudge Heffelfinger was still playing football at 66. And it wasn't touch football. He played fifty-six minutes in a tough professional game at 53.

There are many who are submerged by the years, and there are others who have no thought of time. They have time whipped.

### The War Bond Popular Athlete

A New York jury of more than 700,000 fans is going to vote, through the medium of a war bond vote, on the favorite sports figure of the country.

This list can include Joe DiMaggio, Mel Ott, Jim Thorpe, Cornelius Warmerdam, Dixie Walker, Joe Louis, Jack Dempsey, Tommy Hitchcock, Red Grande, Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth, Bobby Jones, Lou Gehrig, Earl Sande, Patty Berg, Bill Dickey, Bobby Feller, Bertelli, on and on. The idea is to pledge a bond for your favorite sports figure. There is no nation in the world, looking back to the stars of ancient Greece, that has known as many popular sports figures as the United States.

There are no combined nations that could meet this challenge. Football, baseball, the ring, track and field, golf, tennis, basketball, hockey, swimming and all the rest. The verdict of New York is not a national verdict. But with so many voting it should be the most interesting single verdict rendered in the way of popularity—for the New York bond voting contingent are shooting at the entire field from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Not to overlook the Great Lakes and the Gulf.

This is one of the most interesting voting contests that sport has ever known, since any opinion must be backed up with a war bond test. The idea is to pick our favorite athlete from the big parade and send the ballot to Stanley Woodward, Sports Bond committee, 1270, Sixth avenue, New York city.

This is a war bond idea the entire country can use in locating the top favorite in sport, east and west, north and south. Ruth-Dempsey-Bobby Jones-Red Grange-Bill Tilden-Tunney and what about a goofy fellow I'd like to nominate—Dizzy Dean?

## West Virginia's College Quints Face Rough Road

Marshall Upholds State Prestige; WVA Has One Game This Week

By BOB MORAN  
Associated Press Sports Writer  
It's already been a long winter for most of West Virginia's collegiate basketball teams and from past performances the road ahead may get still rougher despite all hopes to the contrary.

To date the six college quintets in the state have batted 548, winning twenty-three games while losing nineteen and if it weren't for Marshall's record of nine victories against two losses the percentage would be even lower.

The Thundering Herd started off with eight straight triumphs before getting split and now is moving along at an 818 clip to top all other clubs.

West Virginia university, which spent the week in New York losing to the powerful Long Island and Rochester cagers, has a 500 average, winning three in six contests. West Virginia Tech, with two each in the won and lost columns, also has a 500 mark while Fairmont State, Bethany and Salem are ranked between 400 and 500 range—not quite able to keep the victory ledger above the loss column.

After heavy program of eleven games last week, the schedule-makers cooled off this week with only a handful of tilts booked. The Mountaineers play a single game, entertaining the Presidents of Washington and Jefferson Wednesday night. Also on that night Tech's Golden Bears play Rio Grande, O., at Montgomery for their only setto of the week.

Marshall has two engagements on tap, both at home. Tennessee Tech goes to Huntington to meet the Herd Wednesday and on Saturday Marshall plays host to Cincinnati. Fairmont and Bethany both will be idle this week unless a game is arranged between Salem and Bethany.

Any Coach Robert Greer, of Salem, still trying to book opponents for his rejuvenated Tigers, has a bout set with the Two Hundred Seventeenth Military Police squad from Elkins and it will be played either Thursday or Saturday night, depending upon ability to card Bethany for a home game.

**Start New String**  
Penn State's basketball team has won two games at home since Bucknell smashed the previous mark of twenty-four straight.

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## Valparaiso Ends DePaul's 13-Game Winning Streak

Dartmouth Moves Another Step toward Eastern League Title

By JACK HAND  
NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (AP)—DePaul was toppled from the ranks of the unbeaten by little Valparaiso, Dartmouth moved another step toward clinching a seventh straight Eastern League title and Ohio State put forth a strong Big Ten claim by swamping Indiana twice in the major events of another crowded basketball weekend.

North Carolina is perched atop the Southern Conference, Iowa State and Oklahoma straddle the Big Six lead, Texas is all alone out in front in the Southwest, U.C.L.A., California and Washington rank at the head of the Pacific coast class and Northwestern, Purdue and Iowa remain unbeaten with the Buckeyes in the Western Conference.

Camp Grant has thirteen straight, Iowa and Albright have seven in of twelve and Columbia's surprising midshipmen have the scalp of N.Y.U. 46-43.

St. Mary's Pre-Flight and Olathe naval armies also are top-notchers. Among the independents, Oklahoma Aggies have won thirteen of fourteen, Kentucky ten of eleven and St. John's of Brooklyn, eight of nine. Other high rankers are Muhlenberg with ten wins in eleven starts, Gonzaga, Temple and Western Michigan.

DePaul's upset by Valparaiso, a small Indiana university with a normal registry of 520 students, ranks as one of the shockers of the campaign. The towering Crusaders helped themselves to a substantial gain in national prestige by shattering big George Mikan for a 65-57 triumph.

St. John's took Temple in Philadelphia, 36-32, in the East's best game with 11.66 watching the debut of the other half of which Penn State was knocked off by St. Joseph's, 48-39. Canisius lost its second of the year, bowing to City College, 37-36, while Rochester ran its record to six and one by drubbing West Virginia, 49-36.

Aud Brindley scored twenty-two points as Dartmouth made it five straight in the Eastern League, trimming Princeton, 54-31. The Indians can clinch the flag by beating Penn at Hanover, N. H., Saturday.

Don Grate, with forty-eight points in two games against Indiana, was the shining light for Ohio State, now a Big Ten threat. Wisconsin took Michigan twice, the second time, 42-31, before a record Saturday turnout of 10,500. Purdue made it four in a row in the conference by stopping Minnesota twice and Chicago stretched its league losing streak to forty-three by bowing to Northwestern, 77-20 and Illinois 69-32.

North Carolina moved ahead in the Southern Conference by scores over Davidson and North Carolina State.

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Spinners ..... 0 1 .000

**POPTIME DIVISION**  
Woodmen ..... 1 0 1.000  
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Shober's Big Five, the Keyser, (W.Va.) Independents and the Chemists registered victories in the Lame Duck division and the Woodmen of the World topped the Knights of Columbus in the only Poptime division clash yesterday afternoon when Rocking Chair Basketball League races were launched on the SS. Peter and Paul school court.

Shober's Big Five, with Lou Bell leading in fourteen points, trimmed the Tri-Towns Merchants, 40-35. Keyser, sparked by Bright's nineteen tallies, defeated the Cumberland P. O. Eagles, 36-24, and the Chemists turned back the Celanese Spinners, 34-24, as Evans showed the way with eighteen points.

In the only Poptime battle, the Woodmen managed to topple the K. of C., 22-20, winning the clash at the foul stripe. Wharton was the winners' top bomber with a dozen points.

The Shober outfit, after being held to a 6-5 score at the quarter, was in front 16-13 at the half and 21-19 at the close of the third stanza. In the final period, the local team banged in nineteen points. Jim Lupis topped Tri-Towns scores with seven tallies.

Keyser's Independents led all the way in their scrap with the Eagles, quarter scores being 10-3, 18-10 and 25-12. Holshey was high for the losers with six points.

The Celanese Chemists grabbed a 12-2 lead in the first period and increased their margin to fourteen points in the following chapter. In the third heat, the Chemists were held scoreless but were on top 26-19 going into the closing round. Davis and Adams shared seventeen of the Spinners' tallies.

The Woodmen rallied in the last

**Ring Magazine Editor To Receive Writers' Award**

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (AP)—Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of Ring magazine, will receive an award from the New York boxing Writers Association at its annual dinner on Wednesday night. The award is in recognition of his thirty-nine years of service to boxing. The Fleischer award is in addition to the Edward J. Neil Memorial plaque which this year has been awarded to all boxers in the armed services.

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## General Notice

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Mr. Mary (Rice), aged 80, widow of George Burall, Church Hill, died Friday, January 14th, 1944. The body is at the home of her friends and relatives who will receive and funeral services held Monday, 2:30 P. M. in St. George's Episcopal Church, Rev. Rudolph J. Richter, pastor, will officiate. Interment in the church cemetery. Arrangements by St. George's Episcopal Church. 1-16-11-NT

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TWO FURNISHED rooms. Phone 1349-J. 1-16-11-T

SLEEPING ROOMS, 30 Greene St. 1-16-11-T

**24—Houses For Rent**  
FOUR ROOM Bungalow, Harry Zembower, 4½ miles out Bedford Road. 1-15-11-T

SIX-ROOM House, 468 Columbia St. Phone 3162-J. 1-16-11-T

**26—For Sale Miscellaneous**  
Maytag Parts & Service  
Wringer Rolls, All Makes  
CUMBERLAND MAYTAG CO.  
31 N. Mechanic St. Phone 848



**25 CENTS BUYS 12 BANDAGES**  
Twelve bandages might save the lives of 12 soldiers.  
Thinking of it that way, wouldn't it be patriotic to rent your spare room and buy War Stamps that'll buy bandages?  
I'm a TIMES-NEWS Want Ad, and I'm enlisted for the duration.  
Phone me at Cumberland 732 and I'll turn YOUR vacant room into bandages!

## 26—For Sale Miscellaneous

"SPENCER CORSETS" — Mrs. Leatherman. Phone 3868-W. 1-2-11-T

PINE RADIOS, basement 321 Bedford. 1-4-11-T

SPENCER CORSETS individually designed. Mrs. Alleta Allamong Luchs, Phone 3822-M. 12-31-11-T

TWO GAS heating stoves, one gas cooking stove, Heatrola and coal heating stoves, cheap. 1497-M. 12-22-11-T

SINGER sewing machines. Phone 4566. 1-10-11-T

CHARIS FOUNDATION Garment. Mrs. Brown, Phone 2907-W. 1-11-11-T

USED TOLEDO Scale and Hobart Meat Grinder. Write Box 874-A. % Times-News. 1-14-11-T

ILLINOIS WATCH, 21 Jewel. Phone 4566. 1-13-11-T

ANTIQUES—Lester Boward, 6 Harrison St. 1-14-11-T

BABY STROLLER, suitcase, trunk, banjo, Allen battery analyzer, guitar, tubes, silox coffee maker, dresser, buffet, kitchen cabinet, 35 mm. camera, paint spray, folding chairs, sewing machine, watches, rings, sweaters, gas heaters, jacks, electric razors, new gasoline range, ice box, Coolerator, bicycle, penny-pitch, hot water tank and heater, new 22 Winchester, new golf set, china closet, round table and 6 chairs, refrigerator, gas tank, hunting knife, electric steam radiator, radios and batteries, kitchen table, electric heater, auto horn, victrolas, fans, washer, Norman De, Phone 800. Across from Y. M. C. A. 1-14-11-T

FLORENCE hot water heater. Phone Romney 91-M. 1-14-11-T

STOVE HEADQUARTERS for over forty years. Reinhardt's, The Peoples Furniture Store, 17 Baltimore St. 1-14-11-T

**We Are Overstocked**  
On Men's Topcoats, Overcoats, Suits. Special Price \$14.95  
**THE HUB**  
19 N. Centre St. Open Evenings  
HEATROLA, hot water tank heater. 47 Cresap St. 1-15-11-T

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE like new. Leaving town. Phone 3640. 1-16-11-T

DINING TABLE, Buffet and day bed. Phone 656-W. 1-17-11-T

MAN'S TOPCOAT, size 40, \$3. Phone 446-J. 1-17-11-T

**28-A—Flowers**  
FLOWERS, BOPP'S. Phone 2582. 10-17-11-T

**Funeral Flowers**  
RenRoy Gardens  
LaVale. Phone 3848-W

**29—Furniture, Stoves**  
USED FURNITURE. Millenson's, 317 Virginia. 1-6-11-T

**30—Building Supplies**  
Storm Windows  
Standard sizes in stock. Price \$2.30 to \$3.64 each. We make special sizes.  
Buchanan Lumber Co.  
Phone 1270

**32 BUYS**  
ONE WARM ARMY BLANKET  
One warm blanket might avoid a fatal case of pneumonia!  
War Stamps buy warm blankets.  
Some unused things around the house that you've forgotten all about will buy extra War Stamps.  
I'm a TIMES-NEWS Want Ad, and I'm enlisted for the duration.  
Phone me at Cumberland 732 and I'll turn YOUR forgotten things into warm blankets for soldiers!

**HAGER'S**  
832 N. Mechanic Street  
Dependable Quality—Low Prices  
ONLY IN THE BRICK BUILDING  
PREMIER CLEANER sales and service, 104 S. Liberty. Phone 1722. 11-10-11-T

THE BEST in used furniture. Price's Furniture Exchange, 79 N. Centre. 4-25-11-T

CINDERS, free for hauling. Phone 497. 9-30-11-T

HEADQUARTERS for Armstrong and Congoleum floor covering. All widths. Bargain prices. Shorter's, 128 N. Centre. 9-10-11-T

## 31—Help Wanted

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES**  
Consider a position now that will endure after the Victory! If you would enjoy working in a cultural and intellectual environment where you will acquire useful knowledge for post-war period—if you would enjoy living in a large New England city where residence and meals are provided in addition to beginning salary of \$50 or \$60 a month, we would like to hear from you about a permanent position in the medical field. Reply to Miss Elizabeth Stephenson, 79 Vernon St., Hartford 6, Conn. 1-14-11-T

**32—Help Wanted—Female**  
TRACER — High school graduate with some mechanical drawing training or experience for drafting room work. Write or call: Personnel Dept., The Kelly-Springfield Tire Co., Cumberland, Md. Persons now engaged in essential war work will not be considered. 1-13-11-T

EXPERIENCED Sales girl in dress shop. Write Box 879-A. % Times-News. 1-15-11-T

WHITE GIRL or woman for general housework, nice home and wages. Phone 3126-J. 1-15-11-T

WANTED—Housekeeper, two children, no cooking or laundry, white, live-in. Reference. Write Box 880-A. % Times-News. 1-15-11-T

COLORED MAID. Apply Lerner Shop, 134 Baltimore St. 1-16-11-T

CHAMBERMAID, waitress, no experience necessary, good home, excellent salary. Write Mrs. Joel Hutzler, Box 92, Pikesville 8, Md. 1-16-11-T

**33—Help Wanted—Male**  
**Wanted Laborers**  
By State Roads Commission, especially men who live in the neighborhood of the State Roads Commission Garage, 32 Maple St., but all applicants will receive consideration. 1-15-11-T

PULPWOOD CUTTERS, 4 experienced men to cut unpeeled pine. \$5 per 100 cubic feet for cutting and logging. Horse furnished by boss. Good men can make big money here. Lusk, Williams R. 1, Twiggton. 1-15-11-T

MIDDLE AGED man for general office work. Write Box 883-A. % Times-News. 1-15-11-T

WANTED — Experienced truck driver. Good working conditions. References. Cumberland Macaroni Mfg. Co. 1-14-11-T

LONG DISTANCE furniture movers. Expenses paid, excellent salary, good opportunity for advancement for right persons. Write Box 883-A. % Times-News. 1-15-11-T

MAN WITH Car to call on business concerns and handle essential business of old established firm. Permanent connection. Write Box 874-A. % Times-News. 1-14-11-T

MESSENGERS. Day or evening work. Good pay with scheduled increases. Apply Western Union Telegraph Co., 7 N. Liberty St. 12-30-11-T

AUTOMOBILE MECHANIC at once. Good salary. Write Box 882-A. % Times-News. 1-15-11-T

COLLECTOR and SALESMAN. With car, excellent salary and commission. Write Box 886-A. % Times-News. 1-16-11-T

WANTED—Janitor for general work in small apartment house, steady work. Apply Harold's Jewelry Store, corner Baltimore and Mechanic Sts. 1-17-11-T

**37—Musical Instruments**  
**GIFTS**  
FOR ENTIRE FAMILY  
Records — Music  
Musical Instruments  
**The Music Shop**  
5-7 S. Liberty St. Phone 3230

**38—Lost and Found**  
LOST—Lady's diamond ring. Phone Probst 302-M. 50 E. Loo St. Reward. 1-12-11-T

LOST — Truck tire and wheel, vicinity Town Hill. Reward. Phone 4178-J. 1-14-11-T

LOST—English Setter dog, white, black spots, male. Phone 3541-R. 1-15-11-T

LOST—#3 ration book, Ray Ellisworth Murray; also #4, Elmer K. Probst. Please return to L. A. Probst, Kiltzmillers. 1-15-11-T

**39—Miscellaneous**  
**WELDING**  
All types, Acetylene and Arc  
Anything — anytime — anywhere  
H. & S. Plumbing & Heating Co.  
Authorized Dealers in  
Afco Gases and Equipment  
128 Polk Street. Phone 2040

BLOCK LAYING, cement work, W. A. McKinney, 148 Bedford St. Phone 3013-W, 3485. 1-28-11-T

CARPENTER repair work. Phone 2042-W. 12-20-11-T

REFRIGERATION and washer repairs. General Repair Shop, 43 Henderson Ave. Phone 3978-R. 12-29-11-T

**40—Metal Weatherstripping**  
"WE DEFY THE ELEMENTS"  
DEFIANCE WEATHERSTRIP CO.  
Frederick C. Haas. Phone 2063



## Six Die as Army Bomber Crashes East of Elkins

Only Surviving Member of Crew Suffers Fractured Leg and Shock

ELKINS, W. Va., Jan. 16 (AP)—A four-engine army bomber, trapped in an Allegheny blizzard, crashed and burned last night on Craggy Rich mountain with only one survivor among seven men aboard.

At Tampa, Fla., MacDill Field announced these casualties:

First Lt. William R. Sablotny, (121 S. Ash St.) Hobart, Ind.

Second Lt. Nolan E. Guttery, (RFD No. 2) New Braunfels, Tex.

Second Lt. Kenneth A. Johnson (6047 Dakin St.) Chicago, Ill.

Second Lt. Melvin M. Feiman, (192 19th St., N.W.) Canton, Ohio.

Sergeant Joseph P. Matthew, Jr., (5057 Maplewood Ave.) Los Angeles, Calif.

Sergeant George H. Gossert (RFD No. 1) Carmel, Ind.

The injured flier was Staff Sgt. Harry C. Smith (80 Elm street, Reading, Pa.).

West Virginia state troopers, returning early today after an eight-hour struggle over snow-drifted hills, brought back the story of the wreck which occurred in an isolated area between the mountain villages of Wymer and Harman about twenty miles east of Elkins.

Only Survivor Injured

The only survivor, found by troopers leaning against a tree with snow swirling around him, suffered a fractured leg and shock.

Four bodies were recovered first shortly after daylight and several hours later the searchers came upon two more. For awhile officers at the Elkins army maneuver headquarters had held some hope that two of the men might have jumped and escaped death.

State Police Sgt. Jay Rowe, who led the searching detachment, said that three bodies thrown clear of the wrecked ship were discovered by accident.

The rescue party was looking under drifts for wood to start a fire. They stumbled across the bodies under the snow. One body was in the plane, officers said, as they ordered.

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Edwin R. Swick

Trial Scheduled

To Open Today

Western Maryland Rail-

way Official Faces Charge

of Manslaughter

Trial of Edwin R. Swick, Western Maryland Railway official of Elkins, W. Va., indicted on a charge of manslaughter is scheduled to open here today when criminal trials of the January term will begin in Circuit court.

Swick's case results from an automobile crash on the McCoolle Westernport road last month in which Clifford Dawson, of Westernport, was killed.

Indicted on a similar charge, Carl Atkinson, of Frostburg, is scheduled to go on trial January 24. He was the driver of the car which struck and instantly killed Mrs. James B. Stakem, of Midland, on Christmas Eve.

Atkinson had been a patient in Midland hospital, Frostburg, because of injuries received when his car, but State's Attorney Morgan C. Harris said he would be able to appear in court next week.

Three Traversers Plead Guilty

Three pleas of guilty were entered by traversers arraigned Saturday.

Leroy Mink, tavern operator, pleaded guilty to two charges of selling alcoholic beverages to minors and a third count in the indictment was dismissed by the state. He was fined \$200 and costs.

John William Scarlett, former janitor at the county office building, Union street, pleaded guilty to larceny and receiving stolen goods. He was represented by Edwin M. Horcher.

Indicted on a charge of assault with intent to kill, Samuel Kenneth Eckard, Jr., Ridgeley, W. Va., soldier, entered a plea of guilty to common assault. He had been arrested for slapping Hopewell Trent, local negro, who was helping a policeman chase the soldier through town. Noel Spier Cook is his attorney.

Hayes Pleads Not Guilty

A plea of not guilty was entered by Robert Leroy Hayes, of New York's state, indicted on a charge of robbery. Accused of robbing the manager of the Strand theater on October 21, Hayes is represented by Albert A. Doub, Jr.

Assignments for today include trials of:

George Louis Conrad, Bartlettville, larceny of tools from the Union Mining Company; Russell Lee Do-

man, Westernport, breaking into a garage; Elroy Arthur Porter, Cumberland, larceny of cigarettes from the warehouse of a vending machine company; William A. Weber and John E. Ralston, both of Cumberland, receiving stolen goods; William Raymond Timney, patent-

rights, and Paul Riegleman, Westernport, larceny of roofing and other materials from a storage shed.



COMING HERE—W. E. Jones, international general secretary and treasurer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, will be among the honored guests at the seventh anniversary banquet to be given under the auspices of Altamont lodge No. 448 tomorrow evening at 6:30 p. m., in the All Ghan Shrine Country Club. Several other international officers of the brotherhood will be here for the celebration.

## Orr Will Propose Roping Off Streets For Sled-riders

Children Defy Vehicular Traffic after Eight-inch Snowfall

A proposal to have certain streets roped off for sled-riding will be presented this morning by James Orr, police and fire commissioner, at the regular meeting of the mayor and city council.

Following yesterday's eight-inch snowfall in Cumberland, hundreds of children defied the dangers of vehicular traffic by sled-riding on some of the busiest streets in the city. Luckily, no one was injured but there were several narrow escapes reported and Commissioner Orr said that he will take up the matter with the council today in order that the children be given proper protection.

Orr's Given Assistance

The commissioner stated that his department would be unable to furnish police protection because of the present manpower shortage and is urging property owners and residents of the streets to be roped off to see that the sled-riding trails are properly patrolled.

Editor H. Reynolds, city street commissioner, reported last evening that his crews started to work clearing away the snow on Saturday at 9 p. m., and work until yesterday.

Four snow plows were kept busy throughout the night on city streets. Today the streets will be cleared.

"It's pretty hard to get men to work on the streets now," Reynolds said, "and we had to give our small force a rest yesterday. I think they did an excellent job."

Ten Inches at Oakland

Leo T. Downey, district engineer of the Maryland State Roads Commission, reported eight inches of snow in Cumberland, ten in the Oakland section and only four and a half inches in the Frederick district. All roads east and west of Cumberland were plowed and cleared and there was interruption in vehicular traffic.

Downey also said the state roads commission is also faced by a shortage of manpower and the men after resting yesterday will go over the roads again today.

Bus service to and from Cumberland was on schedule with the exception of a few cases where (Continued on Page 2, Col. 5)

Radio Program Today

Will Launch War Loan

Drive for \$2,400,000

Allegany county's Fourth War Loan drive will be launched this evening with a radio program over station WTBO at 8 o'clock.

Dale Robertson, manager of the station, will have charge of the ceremonies in which many local persons will be heard.

The newspapers will be represented by Paul Martin-Dillon, of the Cumberland Evening and Sunday Times and William L. Geppert, of the Cumberland News.

Allegany is being asked to invest in \$2,400,000 worth of bonds between January 18 and February 15. Garrett county's quota is \$150,000.

Purple Heart Week

Observance Will Be

Planned at Meeting

Final arrangements for the observance of Purple Heart week in Cumberland will be made at a meeting of Mountain Chapter No. 166, Military Order of the Purple Heart, this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the V.F.W. home, Union street.

Purple Heart week will be held in conjunction with George Washington's birthday, the week of February 20, as Washington created the Purple Heart medal, the oldest decoration of the United States government, and also issued the first decoration for valor.

Mountain Unit No. 166 ladies auxiliary will also meet this evening at 7:30 p. m. in the V. F. W. home.

## War Veterans Are Urged To Register Discharge Papers

Four Posts Pledge \$570 To Compensate Clerk; Conlon Named Chairman

The Mountain District Veterans Association yesterday organized at city hall by electing Thomas P. Conlon, service officer of Fort Cumberland Post No. 13, American Legion, as chairman, and then went on record as favoring all war veterans registering their discharges at the Allegany and Garrett county courts houses.

Stressing the value of discharge papers, the association urged that veterans of all wars make certain a copy of their discharge from the service is on file at their county court house as a means of guarding against loss or theft of the document.

It was pointed out that the fee charged for this work at the court house is \$1.

In event that a veteran loses his discharge papers after a copy is made at the court house he can obtain that copy by making application. Many veterans already have registered their discharges at the court house.

Support Legislation

The association also went on record as supporting the Maryland Veterans Commission on proposed legislation which will be brought before the state legislative committee at a meeting to be held Wednesday in Baltimore. As a member of the state commission, Conlon will attend this meeting.

Pledges totaling \$570 were made by four American Legion posts of Mountain district toward the payment of compensation of Mrs. Belle Kerr, secretary of the association, who is performing the work of claims clerk in the Liberty Trust building.

Fort Cumberland post pledged \$330, Parry post, Frostburg, \$120 and James P. Love post, Lonaconing and Victory post, Westernport, \$60 each. Other posts promising to contribute were not represented at the meeting.

73 Claims In Two Weeks

In stressing the increase in the number of claims reaching his office, Conlon stated that a total of seventy-three were received since the first of the year. Thirty-five were handled in the first week of January and thirty-eight during the second week. Sixty per cent of the claims were made by veterans of the Second World War or their dependents.

It was decided that the service officer of each post in the district become a liaison officer to assist the chairman and secretary from time to time in an effort to expedite claims. Arrangements also will be made for the claims clerk to visit communities of the district at different intervals.

Post representatives attending the meeting included Edward Kahl and Aleck Hesen, Oakland; Carl Mayer and Frank Powers, Frostburg; Leo Thrasher, of the Military Order of the Purple Heart and the Disabled American Veterans; Ralph Bailey, Military Order of the Purple Heart; William P. Jones, of Fulton Myers post; the Rev. E. G. A. Sunder and Vincent P. Ingram, Fort Cumberland post; and Miss Anne M. Sloan, Lonaconing.

THREE PERSONS HURT IN AUTOMOBILE CRASH REPORTED IMPROVED

All three of the persons who were injured Friday evening when the car in which they were riding skidded and overturned on the Oldtown road near Park Park, were reported "improved" last evening by Memorial hospital attendants. The driver of the car in which they were riding, James J. Wagoner, 40, of Park, was instantly killed in the crash.

James Duval, 20, North Branch, who suffered a punctured lung and a fractured collar bone, is in a "fair" condition, attaches said. A cast will be applied to the collar bone today.

Wallace Zimmerman, 33, North Branch, who suffered a punctured lung and scalp lacerations, is in a "good" condition, attaches said. When admitted his condition was considered critical.

Miss Susan Mercer, 27, Piedmont, is also in a "good" condition. She suffered scalp lacerations and bruises.

Franklin Rubie, 15, Springfield, W. Va., was treated in Memorial hospital Saturday morning for a laceration below the right knee suffered, he told attaches, when he fell on the ice.

Charles Phillips, 38, Ridgeley, Western Maryland Railway machinist, was treated in Memorial hospital Saturday morning for a badly lacerated left thumb. He told attaches he was injured when a jack slipped as he was hoisting machinery.

Allegany County Yule

Seal Sale Is \$3,861

Receipts of the Allegany County Christmas Seal Sale of Saturday, January 15, totaled \$3,861, William J. Edwards, chairman, announced yesterday.

Approximately 4,000 persons have failed to make returns for the seal mailed to them, January 9.

Edwards urges all those who have failed to respond to make a report immediately as the funds are urgently needed.

## Food Luxuries Not Needed To Keep Alive, OPA Administrator Says

Bowles Expresses Concern over the Rise in Price of Clothing

People are often shocked by the outlandish price of a luxury item on which there is no ceiling price but this is no concern of the Office of Price Administration whose first job is to control the prices of the essential foods that most people buy.

This statement is contained in letters received by the Cumberland War Price Rationing Board and the local office of the OPA from Chester Bowles, administrator of the federal agency.

For instance, Mr. Bowles points out that he received a letter from Dallas, Tex., last week in which it was stated that fresh strawberries from Florida were being sold at seventy-five cents to one dollar a pint.

"But nobody needs fresh strawberries in winter to keep alive," Bowles writes.

The administrator calls attention to the fact that the Bureau of Labor Statistics last week announced that the cost of living has risen only three and one-half per cent in 1943 as compared with nine per cent in 1942 and ten per cent in 1941.

No Increase Since April

"But those figures don't tell the whole story," Bowles adds. "The all-important fact is that practically all of that three and one-half per cent increase occurred during the first four months of 1943. Today the over-all cost of living stands just about where it was last April, eight months ago. I think that's really an encouraging record. We are holding the line."

"Now when you tell people that their cost of living hasn't increased since last April, some of them just don't believe it. They immediately think of a higher price they have paid for some specific item, and they forget that the prices of many other things have been reduced. For example, about one-fifth of the family budget is spent on rent, and rents for the country as a whole are a trifle lower than they were two years ago."

"Or you can point to certain food prices that have been increased, but at the same time there have been reductions in the prices of meat, butter and fresh vegetables to compensate. Today food prices are 2.3 lower on the average than they were last April. Most of us are inclined to notice only the prices that go up, not those that hold even or go down."

Bowles expresses concern over clothing prices which have gone up about four per cent since last April, and in some cases, quality isn't what it should be.

"We're doing our best to remedy that," he says. "But many people have the impression that clothing prices have gone much higher than four per cent. I think this is because a great deal of the less expensive merchandise has disappeared from the department stores. For example, if a woman has to pay \$3.98 for a house dress when she has always paid \$1.98 before, she may think that price control on dresses isn't working, but in most cases that \$3.98 house dress is a better dress and always did cost more than the other. There just aren't enough of the \$1.98 variety being made."

Seek Cheaper Merchandise

"We are working with the War Production Board to get more of the cheaper merchandise back into the stores, and I'm hoping that you'll see some improvement there before long."

"You have heard many people say that it just wasn't possible to keep living costs from rising for the first like eight months. The fact is that we have done it. Of course, I don't know how much longer we can hold the fort. We may have set-backs, and we have the black market problem to consider. But I do know that the work of price panels is more important right now than it has ever been before."

Bowles' letter is accompanied by some interesting facts about the OPA. They are entitled "Do You Know?" and include the following items:

That of the 222,000 people working with the OPA, 167,000 serve without pay.

Cost of Support Is \$1.27

That the annual cost per person of supporting the OPA is \$1.27.

That the OPA has already saved the average family of this country \$700 each.

That the WPB and the War Food Administration, not the OPA, determine what goods are rationed and when they are rationed.

That the OPA calculates food ration point values on the basis of civilian food allocation made by the WPA.

And last but not least, that the OPA has saved the government sixty-four billion dollars by holding down the cost of war materials.

Five Births Are Reported Here

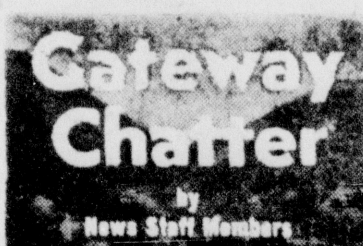
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Duffy, 404 Park street, announce the birth of a son in Allegany hospital Saturday evening.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dressman, Long, in Allegany hospital yesterday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gray, Mt. Savage, announce the birth of a daughter in Allegany hospital yesterday afternoon.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fox, 50 Bedford street, at the home, January 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Koeh, 314 Ridgewood avenue, announce the birth of a son in Allegany hospital Saturday evening.



Gateway Chatter

How's Shift Members

Social insects of the order of Isoptera have made their appearance at the city hall.

In fact, they've been making their home there for some time, according to Hunter B. Helfrich, local contractor, who is engaged in tearing out partitions in the basement while in the course of remodeling the health department's clinic.

The social insects we refer to are none other the pale-colored, soft-bodied white ants, better known as termites.

"It's funny how these insects insist on making their home in administrative buildings," Helfrich remarked.

When Helfrich and his men invaded the termite camp the other day the battle started but it didn't last long. Spray guns were brought into action and the enemy was subdued in short order.

The sickening odor from the spray, however, nearly overcame the tenants in the other part of the building and it was necessary to open the windows.

"It would have been a devil of a note if we killed the cash customers upstairs," Helfrich said.

The dead ants were gathered up and thrown in the fire box. Now Helfrich is worried about the insects coming to life and eating out the flues in the boiler.

The story of termites taking over the city hall was discussed freely throughout the city the other day and Chatter figured it would be a good idea to explain the matter before some gossips got the wrong impression.

Second Class Petty Officer Robert "Ace" Baker, former Times and Allegany Company employee, writes from the United States Naval Air Station, Melbourne, Fla., to advise Chatter that Ensign Charles E. "Chick" Brode, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Brode, Franklin street, has arrived at that base to begin his advanced training and will get an opportunity to fly the navy's new fighter known as the "Hell Cat" or the P-51.

"The Hell Cat is what the enemy calls it because it certainly has been raising hell with them," Baker writes.

"Ace" learned of Brode's transfer to Melbourne he says, through an article and picture of "Chick" which appeared in a recent issue of the News.

Baker and Brode worked together on this paper and it was their first meeting in thirteen months. For the past fifteen months Baker has been looking for someone from Cumberland and his prayers were answered when "Chick" arrived at the station.

"I can just imagine how the boys on the other side feel when they meet someone from their home town," Baker concludes.

Herman Myers, chief air raid warden of Allegany county, informs Chatter that not one but four of the air-raid sirens in the city failed to function during the blackout test on Tuesday.

The fact that so many street and dwelling lights were not extinguished until long after the blackout signal was sounded by the city hall siren is attributed to their work power failure.

Sirens which failed to work are located near The Dingle, Allegany and Fayette streets, Williams street and in the South End.

Mayor Thomas P. Conlon has deserted the "Hates Harrys."

Yes, his honor, is wearing a fedora and he's a very fetching looking person in his new headgear.

The reason for the change, so the city's chief executive says, is because his physician told him that the best way to avoid colds is to keep his head covered when he goes out of doors.

The mayor wears an overseas cap occasionally in parades but admits he "hates" hats.

This is the first hat I've worn in twenty-five years and that goes back to the days when I was in the army," emphasizes Conlon.

The story going 'round town is that the hat was a gift and the mayor is wearing it so as not to embarrass the donor.

Police Hold AWOL Soldier For Army Authorities

Pvt. John A. Alburts, 18, 46 Bedford street, charged with being absent without leave from Camp Blanding, Fla., since January 9, is being held by city police for army authorities. He was arrested Saturday at the request of Camp Blanding authorities, by Lieut. James E. Van and Officers E. R. Liva, C. C. Roby and W. E. Valentine.

I. T. Williams, Baltimore, lived in Baltimore and Bloomington. A retired railway trainman, he was a son of the late Thomas and Mary Daily; Bartlett. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway

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## Commendation Is Given Allegany Ordnance Plant

Burke and His Personnel Praised for Ammunition Production

A personal commendation to Edmund S. Burke, president of the Kelly-Springfield Engineering Company, and the personnel of his organization who have aided in bringing the ammunition production program to its present satisfactory status has been received from Maj. Gen. L. H. Campbell, Jr., chief of ordnance, Washington, D. C.

In his communication to Mr. Burke, Maj. Gen. Campbell states that a special letter of commendation citing individuals and organizations connected with the design, development and production of the caliber 50 aircraft machine guns and its ammunition has been received by the Ordnance department from the Commanding General of the Army Air Forces.

Referring to the weapon as the most outstanding aircraft gun of World War II, this citation continues:

"This weapon, together with its ammunition, is the backbone of offensive and defensive guns for American aircraft and was brought to such a state of perfection by the Ordnance department during the years of peace prior to the present conflict, that it enabled the army air forces, the United States Navy and the marine corps to show a definite superiority in aircraft gun power throughout the global war."

"As chief of ordnance, I am pleased to convey the foregoing message to your company as the operator of the Allegany Ordnance Plant," Maj. Gen. Campbell wrote.

Commends Personnel

"I also desire to offer my personal commendation to you and the personnel of your organization who have aided in bringing the ammunition production program to its present satisfactory status. Each and every one can and should be proud of his contribution to the success of our armed forces."

Franklin P. Bell

Dies in Hospital

Franklin P. Bell, 26, of 10 Millman place, Kelly-Springfield Engineering Company, pipefitter, died yesterday morning at 8:05 o'clock in Memorial hospital where he was admitted December 23. He was a son of William and the late Mrs. Annie Fazenbaker Bell.

Besides his father, he is survived by his widow, Mrs. Catherine Wilson Bell; one daughter, Deloris, and one step-daughter, Shirley Yates, both at home; three sisters, Mrs. Edna Kreiling, Murraysville, Pa.; Mrs. Beulah Naughton, Berea, Ohio; Miss Nellie Bell, this city; and four brothers, Marvin, Little, Pa.; Walter, this city; Pfc. Oscar Bell, Camp Maxie, Texas, and Pvt. Oliver Bell, Camp Gordon Johnston, Fla.

SHERMAN C. PEASLEE

Sherman C. Peaslee, 77, father of R. V. Peaslee, this city, died at his home in Etam, W. Va., Friday morning of a heart ailment.

Also surviving are his widow, the former Mary Powell, and the following children: J. C. Peaslee, Rowlesburg, W. Va.; J. W. Peaslee, Akron; Thomas, stationed in an army hospital in Georgia; Mrs. Page Brake, Etam, and Miss Doris and Howard, at home.

MRS. PLAYFORD RAMSEY

Mrs. Eleanor (Baker) Ramsey, 34, wife of Playford Ramsey, 302 Magruder street, died Saturday morning in Memorial hospital.

Besides her husband, she is survived by five children, Playford, Jr., Philip Larry, Ella Lou, Ethel and Elda, all at home; her father, John Baker, Oakland; four brothers, Leslie, Woodrow and Verli Baker, Baltimore, and John Baker, stationed in the army in Amarillo, Tex.; five sisters, Mrs. Violet Watson, this city; Mrs. Alma Shaffer, Berkey, W. Va.; Mrs. Ruth Stupp, Poolville; Mrs. Jane Geist, Reisterstown, and Mrs. Hazel Johnston, Oakland.

The body was taken to the Belvidere funeral home, Oakland, yesterday afternoon, where funeral services will be conducted Tuesday. Interment will be in Oakland cemetery.

MRS. JOSEPH SENKBEIL

Mrs. Virginia Senkbeil, 34, wife of Joseph Senkbeil, stationed with the army overseas, died in Baltimore. The body arrived Saturday night at Stien's chapel, where it will remain.

A native of Springfield, W. Va., she was a daughter of the late Joseph C. and Clara V. (Taylor) Kenney.

Also surviving are a son, Joseph Luther, a daughter, Ann; seven brothers, Joseph S. Samuel G. James R. Ernest R. and Brady W. Kenney, all serving in the army; Albert B. Hancock; Julius W. Monroe, Mich., and a sister, Mrs. Charles Rakko, also of Monroe.

SAMUEL M. BARTLETT

Samuel M. Bartlett, 74, of 421 Broadway, died Saturday evening at his home following an illness of four months. Before coming to this city forty-seven years ago, Mr. Bartlett lived in Baltimore and Bloomington.

A retired railway trainman, he was a son of the late Thomas and Mary Daily; Bartlett. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway

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ASSIGNED—Pvt. Margaret H. Taylor, of Piedmont avenue, has completed her basic training at the Second WAC Training Center, Daytona Beach, Fla., and has been assigned to Fort Knox, Ky., for duty.

Through its development of wide fish broadening of mind and promoting understanding, fraternalism is the backbone of patriotic necessity, declared Lawrence Grove, grand governor of the Legion of the Moose at the annual initiation banquet at Potomac Valley Legion No. 66 at the Moose home here last night.

Fraternity is great for the people and the nation, Grove continued, as he described the growth, development, purposes and achievements of fraternalism as exemplified at Moosehaven, home for the aged in Florida, which is sponsored by the Women of the Moose and the Legion.

Predicts Expansion

Expressing pride in the fact that the Moose lodge is able to promote life at Moosehaven through its understanding and realization of the mind in old age, the grand legion governor predicted expansion of the establishment and institution of new services which will "contribute to the future of a great program."

Grove's address was delivered before approximately 250 Legion members and guests from Frostburg, Romney, W. Va., Keyser, W. Va., Moorefield, W. Va., Meyersdale, Pa., and Cumberland.

Ernest B. Treat, Legion recorder, was toastmaster and introduced the honor guests and visiting officials.

Legion Meets Quota